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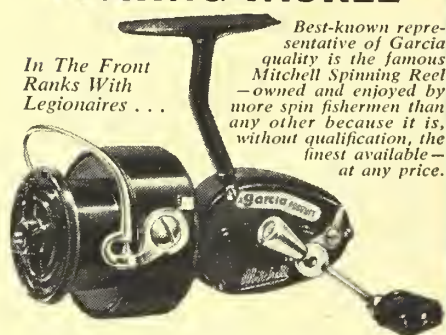
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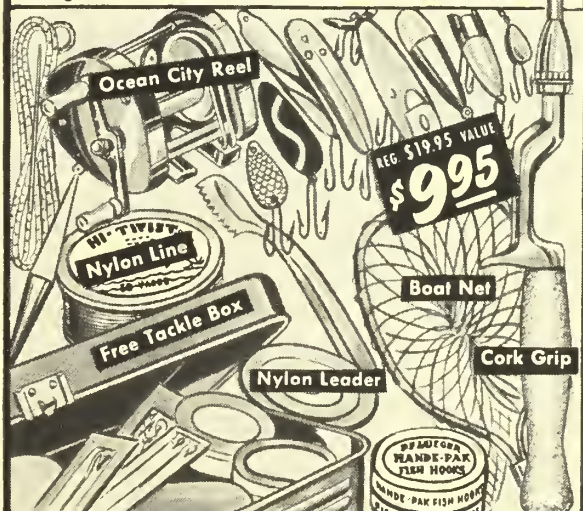
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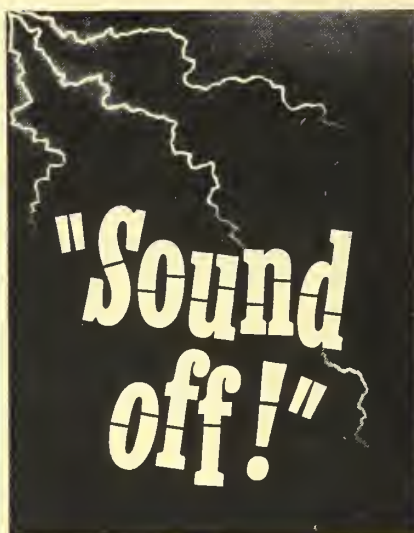
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bury for his splendid article "Are
Fraternal Orders Dying?" in your
February issue. I hope that all the
young people of America will read it.
There is one correction that should
be made, however, and that is the year
of the founding of the Independent
Order of Odd Fellows. The order was
founded April 26, 1819, and not 1919,
as stated in the article. Again, many
thanks to you for a fine article on fra-
ternalism.

John J. Pasey
Baltimore, Md.

APPRECIATION

Sir: The article "Are Fraternal Orders
Dying?" in the February issue of your
fine periodical is one of the best pieces
I have read. Congratulations are cer-
tainly in order to you and your col-
leagues. Naturally, my interest in the
article transcends that of the layman,
for I have spent more than three dec-
ades with the Loyal Order of Moose.
A number of our administrative heads
have enjoyed reading Mr. Wood-
bury's literary effort, and we all agree
that it will be helpful in continuing
the growth and strength of all fra-
ternal groups and service clubs. Those
who read this splendid article will get
an entirely new slant on what the sin-
cere fraternal organizations are striv-
ing to accomplish . . . and a shower of
accolades to *The American Legion
Magazine* for lighting the way.

Paul P. Schmitz
Director General
Loyal Order of Moose
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FEBRUARY COVER

Sir: We of the Public Information
Office of the Military District of
Washington wish to commend the
striking cover on your February issue.
We were somewhat surprised, though,
to note no details on the scene within
the magazine. We feel certain that
your readers would be interested to

know that the "Colonial" troops de-
picted are members of the famous 1st
Battle Group, 3d Infantry (The Old
Guard), stationed at Ft. Myer, Va.,
the President's own ceremonial troops,
and guardians of the Tomb of The
Unknown Soldier. The uniforms that
Specialist Third Class Roy T. George
of Niles, Ohio, and Private First Class
Richard W. Leaman of Washington,
D. C., are wearing are part of their
military wardrobe, used for special
ceremonial events. For the benefit of
your readers, others in the photo are
model Olga Steckler (in the Martha
Washington costume) and the Russell
W. Everett family of East Paterson,
N. J.

W. R. Clark
Colonel, GS
Chief of Information
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REMINISCENCE

Sir: The article "Dog of the Argonne"
in your January issue reminded me
of an experience I had in World War
I. I had been made an orderly to a
lieutenant and we had taken up our
places back of Baccarat, France. The
lieutenant and I were given an old
German dugout to live in and there
were several others in the same place.
One day a lieutenant and his orderly
were strolling into the dugout. They
were dressed in American uniforms
and were very congenial. After they
left someone noticed a peculiar object
lying on the bed. It was a German
hand grenade. We kept away from it
and a couple of days later, when no
one came to get rid of it, we took the
weapon and threw it as far as we
could. It went off with a bang and I
don't know to this day why we were
not instantly killed. But I never for-
got about talking too much to strang-
ers in such circumstances.

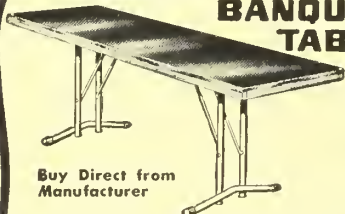
Lynn L. Loomis
Afton, N. Y.

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

Sir: Much of our press has attempted,
unsuccessfully, to allay the fears of
American citizens by the ill-consider-
ed assurance that our servicemen
will probably receive lighter sentences
if surrendered for trial in NATO
courts than in our own courts-martial,
which is not only specious, but unwar-
ranted and actually false. And, even if
true, it would be unjustifiable, for
American punishment is designed to
fit the crime and should be enforced
as a deterrent to crime. Although our
serviceman, Girard, who was sur-
rendered to a Japanese court for kill-
ing a Japanese woman on the firing
range, did receive a lighter sentence
than it is probable he might have re-
ceived in our military court, the case
of Airman 2c Andrew N. Hartmann,
of Hogansville, Ga., warns us that
foreign justice has little resemblance
to protection under the United States
Constitution which, until the Status of

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and takes lessons to improve her golf.

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CIVIL LIBERTIES FOR ALL

THE ENTIRE Nation was recently shocked to learn of a series of murders, rapes, and assorted assaults on New York City school children perpetrated by teen-aged goons who are required by law to attend school, at least until they are eligible for unemployment relief. Not long ago public attention was focused on the problem by a grand jury, and once the lid was off, long-delayed action got under way. Long-harassed principals and teachers turned in the names of more than 600 chronic trouble-makers, and the young thugs were immediately thrown out of the classes they had been keeping in a turmoil.

This was doubtless good news to decent children and their troubled parents, but it didn't sit well with the American Civil Liberties Union. The bleeding hearts of the ACLU took time out from their campaigns in defense of obscene literature and people with communist leanings and hastened to the aid of the teen-aged gunmen and knife-fighters who had been tossed out of the schools. As the ACLU saw it, this action was a grave miscarriage of justice because the courts had not ruled on the cases of the 600 young thugs. Presumably the ACLU will not be happy till their cases have been properly adjudicated in every court in the land. Meanwhile, we assume that the ACLU will want the midget mobsters to keep and use their garrison belts, zip guns, switchblade knives, and other toys fancied by the "cool" element that infests New York's blackboard jungles.

NEED MONEY?

A READER has sent us a clipping on the subject of modern art which you may find interesting. It seems that an Englishman named William Green has been quite successful with this medium, and is getting \$200 apiece for canvases made as follows:

"Spread a clean canvas on the floor,



In March 1955 we presented this cover, to show men at work in the Kremlin...

pour on a mixture of paint and printer's ink, then shuffle over it to spread the color and finally give it pattern by criss-crossing over it with a bicycle. After it's finished, soak the canvas in kerosene and sprinkle it with sand to give it texture."

This method is recommended for people who don't own artistic chimpanzees who can do masterpieces of modern art with a brush and a dollar's worth of dime-store paints. Since kerosene is used in the Willie Green method, the thing is flammable. However, if you whip up a modern painting, try to resist the impulse to touch a match to it. There are a lot of people who are anxious to pay good money for this sort of thing. And who knows, you too might have your daubings displayed some day in the Museum of Modern Art! It has happened to things that certainly are worse than anything you are likely to produce.

HAPPY HAWAII

A RECENT *New York Times* news story out of Hawaii reminded us of an article published in *The American Legion Magazine* in October 1956. Titled "Revolution in the Sun!" it told "How Harry Bridges and his commie associates have fastened a death-grip on the Hawaiian Islands." Describing how Bridges' goons of the I.L.W.U. wander at will through the halls of the Legislature of Hawaii, the author wondered at the power wielded by Harry and his red pals.

Bringing all this to mind, the news story in question told how U.S. Attorney Louis B. Blissard had protested the naming of an identified communist, one of Bridges' officials, to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Red Cross. This fellow, one Newton Miyagi, has been identified as a communist by the Territorial Commission on Subversive Activities, and last year he refused to testify before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee when it was investigating reds in the Islands.

For gagging at the naming of Miyagi, Mr. Blissard was blasted as a "super-American" by Federal Judge J. Frank McLaughlin. In a letter to the attorney the judge said: "I had expected that you were the kind of person who not only pursued the law as an occupation but lived it as well; that you did not resort to that brand of super-Americanism that penalizes people for exercising their constitutional rights, even though you may not approve, or convicts a person of a non-existent crime simply because someone has identified the person as a member in the past of a disapproved organization..."

Hawaiians are surprised, but why should they be? What's good enough for judicial thinking in Washington should be good enough for Hawaii.

... Last September the U.S. Joint Chiefs posed for this widely circulated photo.



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If you're interested in boating—as millions of other folks are—you now can get a pretty good nautical education free from the suppliers of boating needs. Take advantage of it. For remember:

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● Cruising charts: These are the equivalent of auto road maps (which they resemble in appearance and clarity). (Continued on page 44)

Rod & Gun Club

For the man with an interest in the great outdoors.

This being the month to put the fly rod together and start walking the streams, all you good people who want to get more out of fishing will be interested in the following:

The Shakespeare Company has annually given fishermen a look at its new tackle lineup by sending out fresh-off-the-press copies of its new fishing booklets. For 1958, the five free booklets, each covering a different fishing technique (such as fly fishing, bait casting, spinning, salt water, and new "pushbutton" fishing), come in a pack envelope (Continued on page 52)

Products Parade

New ideas which mean better living.

The new Chryslers can be bought with an interesting safety device called the Auto-Pilot, and the chances are you have heard of it. Anyway, it is designed for turnpike-type driving. You set it at a certain speed and the car cruises at that speed as long as you wish, with virtually no variation. You never lose control of the car because the least pressure on brake or accelerator disengages the automatic feature.

This wonderful device was demonstrated when the new models were shown, but we want to thank Walter E. Benjamin, of Vero Beach, Fla., for telling us something we did not know about it. The inventor, Ralph Teeter, is 68 years old, and he has never seen an automobile. Mr. Teeter is blind. (Continued on page 53)

Briefly About Books

Reading matter that may interest you.

The Ordeal of Woodrow Wilson, by Herbert Hoover. McGraw-Hill, \$5.00. This is the first book written by one President of the United States about another. It concentrates on the crucial six years of Wilson's public life, from the sinking of the *Lusitania* in 1915 to the defeat of the League of Nations concept in the United States.

No Wonder We Are Losing, by Robert Morris. The Bookmailer, \$2.50. The counsel for the U.S. Senate's Internal Security Subcommittee, who has carried on a relentless fight against communism (Continued on page 48)

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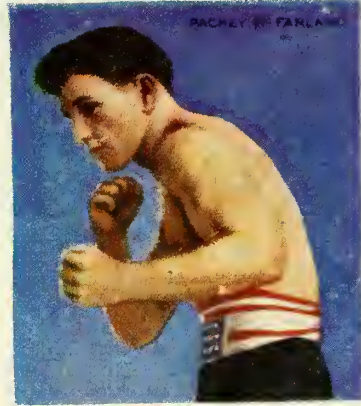
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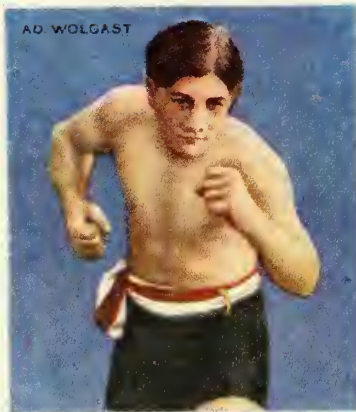
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AT CLOSE QUARTERS WITH A GAZZET



ATTACKING THE MAIL COACH



Pictures

By ESTHER JULIA PELS

Years before television, cigarette manufacturers were entertaining millions with colorful sports personalities, westerns, eye-filling ladies, etc.

W HERE ARE ALL the cigarette cards of yesteryear? The colorful little cards which bore pictures of baseball players and prizefighters and which were cherished by every boy before World War I? Lucky indeed was the boy whose father or uncles went in for the newfangled smokes; he had an assured and endless supply of the precious little cards. Poor boys whose relatives clung to cigars, pipes, or chewing tobacco, or did not use tobacco at all, had a hard time. They either swapped other boyish treasures for the cards or haunted cigar stores after school and on Saturdays cadging the cards from strangers who had just bought a package of Nebos, Hassans, Meccas, or Turkish Trophies.

In the dear, dead days before radio, TV, talking movies, comics, and other latter-day recreations, poor boys were limited in their choice of hobbies. Stamps and coins were too expensive and too hard to acquire. Besides, they still carried a slight taint of being sissy around the turn of the century. Shells, buttons, butterflies, and suchlike were for girls and women — not for boys.

There was no solid, comforting treasure in all the world like a bulging pocketful of cigarette cards showing John L. Sullivan, Jake Kilrain, James Jeffries, Stanley Ketchel, Battling Nelson, Ty Cobb, Christy Mathewson, and a hundred other heroes of that era. Life could be hard and drab in those days — the cards spelled romance, adventure, and color. Rare indeed was the boy



Highly prized were pictures of glamor girls such as this.

who did not have a drawerful of these now forgotten cards which he mulled over on rainy days like a miser counting his gold, and which he traded with his friends with all the sharpness of a proverbial Yankee horse trader. Nor did these boys realize that their hobby helped change the smoking habits of a nation and create an entire new industry.

The earliest cigarette cards, like tobacco itself, originated in this country. Cigarettes have been traced to Brazil, where about 1750 they

were known as *papelitos*. They became popular in France around 1844 thanks largely to Emperor Louis Napoleon who gave the innovation respectability by smoking cigarettes himself.

From France and Austria cigarettes spread to the Levant and became very popular with Turks, Greeks, and Armenians. British officers returning home from the Crimean War in 1857 popularized them in England. From Britain they hopped

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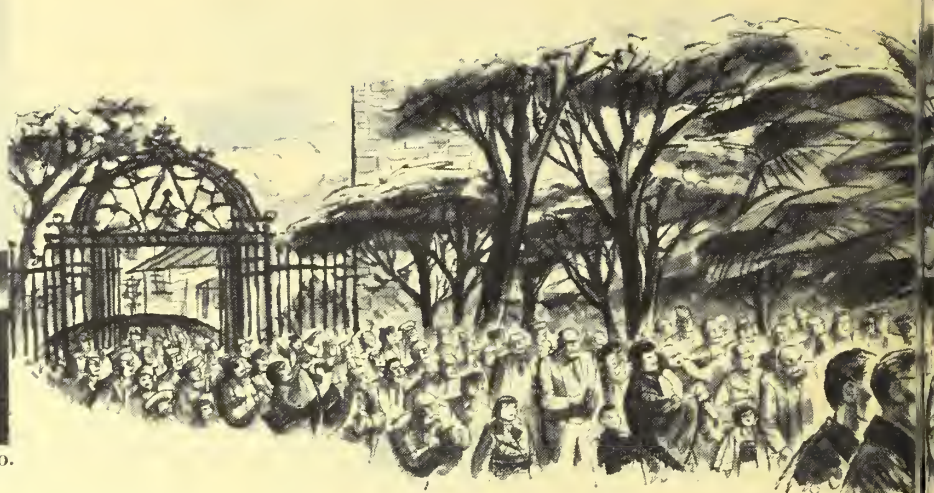


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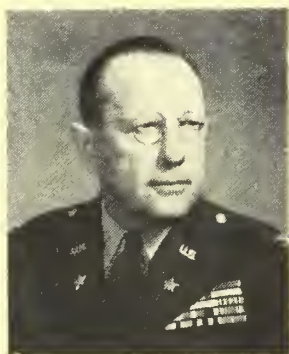




St. Nicholas Japanese Orthodox Cathedral, Tokyo.



CHECKMATE!



HOW THE SOVIETS TRIED TO TAKE OVER THE JAPANESE ORTHODOX CHURCH, USING "DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS."

By COL. BORIS T. PASH,
AUS (Ret.)

THERE IS GENERAL Derevyanko heading toward us," I said to the Belgian representative. "I can tell that he has something on his mind.

I was standing with some foreign representatives at a reception at the Netherlands Legation in Tokyo. The reception was a usual one, but the day was significant. It was Thursday, January 9, 1947. As Derevyanko reached our group, the stern expression on his face changed to a friendly smile.

Lieutenant General Kuzma Derevyanko was the Soviet member of the Allied Council to Japan. Officially, the Soviet Government had no mission in Japan but was represented by Derevyanko who maintained a staff — and what a staff! At its peak, the staff numbered about 450. Just what was the true identity of his staff personnel, we could only guess.

Derevyanko was a large man and very jovial by nature, but he was shrewd and always scheming. He was a product of the Bolshevik Revolution and had reached his position by advancing



Maj. Gen. Paul J. Mueller, who helped Col. Pash foil the plot.

ing up the steps of the political apparatus. He always tried to appear friendly regardless of what he or his henchmen were plotting. He walked up to the group and greeted each of us with a smile and a comment in his very limited English. As he shook hands with me, he said, more to the group than to me, "Ah, my good friend Colonel Pash has again checkmated me." Then he added in an overfriendly voice, "Of course, you understand, I'm speaking of the game of chess." His expression and tone implied that only in chess could I checkmate him. Everyone turned to me, waiting for my answer. My constant clashes with Derevyanko were well known in Tokyo. Many of my friends had told me that since my arrival in Japan to take over as chief of the Foreign Liaison Section in GHQ, the Soviet Mission's freewheeling tactics had been drastically curtailed.

My reply was not long in coming and, while directed at Derevyanko, was made to the group as a concluding statement to what Derevyanko had said. "I can assure you, gentlemen, that the other times are in line of duty." When Derevyanko's face turned red and his lips moved rapidly before they showed any signs of a covering smile, I knew he realized that another "friendly game" was lost by him.

The Soviet group was unceasingly engaged in activities de-



The bishop arrived and was escorted into the cathedral by church dignitaries.



Lt. Gen. Derevyanko, the crafty head red.

signed to break down the authority of General MacArthur, to infiltrate U.S. agencies, to spread propaganda, to carry on subversive activities, to gather intelligence information, or to embarrass the United States in any way. To do this, it was necessary for the Soviet machine to maintain agents in Japan and to have a base from which these agents could operate. We found that the pattern in Japan was no different from what it was in other countries. The Soviets have two methods to accomplish this job. One is to station extremely large numbers of people, most of whom are agents, at embassies, missions, and other representations. The other is to utilize an organization or support a cause through which they can either

introduce advisers from Moscow or in which they replace uncooperative native staffs with native personnel trained in Moscow or by Moscow agents.

Because of my lifelong knowledge of the Russian language and the Russians, I usually dealt directly with Derevyanko or with his immediate assistants. Thus we got to know their needs, and through contacts with some of the Soviet personnel it was possible for us to learn more about Soviet objectives and the methods used in accomplishing them.

I also had a very fine opportunity to become personally acquainted with Derevyanko and to study him closely. We both enjoyed playing chess. At our first encounter in chess we played three games, and I won all three. The entire diplomatic group learned of this the next day. After that Derevyanko would not let a chance go by without challenging me. These contacts gave me added opportunities to study the personal characteristics of Derevyanko.

Having experienced previous Soviet attempts to pull a fast one, I was not surprised when Derevyanko wrote me a letter containing a new twist. It was a request for an entry permit for two bishops from Moscow and a secretary (male); their mission supposedly was "to assist

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Some of the key staff members at the Soviet Embassy in Tokyo.



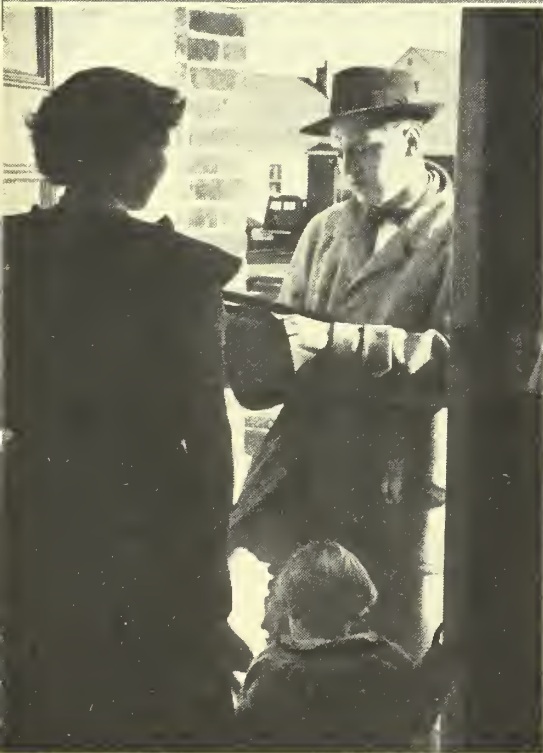


"LET'S TELL

By JOHN S. GLEASON Jr.

NATIONAL COMMANDER, THE AMERICAN LEGION

IMPORTANT STEPS TO A GOOD POST SERVICE PROGRAM



▲ Systematic interviews of all local veteran families.

▲ A permanent card file of local veterans and basic facts about them.

RESOLUTION 594 of the 1957 national convention of The American Legion cautioned our posts not to "neglect" the needs of local veterans and their families. It stated that the veterans service program of each post demands the constant attention of the post commander and the full membership of the post.

Why the need of a resolution, passed by our own delegates, applying the word "neglect" to our post rehabilitation work, and charging the entire post with responsibilities that are often delegated solely to the post service officer?

Certainly every post has appointed a service officer in fulfillment of its pledge to assist its members, as well as all other veterans and their families.

In naming a service officer, each post creates the most vital link in a nationwide network of American Legion services to America's veterans.

You as a post member, and the veteran down the street, have the entire national rehabilitation service of The American Legion at your command through your post service officer.

Through him you provide your community with the most unique service that The American Legion has to offer.

Service to local veterans, their widows and orphans is the greatest community service any post can render.

Yet in many localities it appears that no more than a fraction of the veterans seek out our post service officers when they need their help. It doesn't occur to them. Sometimes it doesn't occur to our own members—even our own officers.

Last summer, a founder and past commander of an eastern American Legion post dropped government life insurance that was worth a large sum to him, because he could no longer pay the premiums. He did this without talking it over with his post service officer.

Luckily, a service officer discovered what he had done, by mere chance. With just one day's grace left to save the policy it was restored, premium payments were stopped, and the veteran began getting monthly payments from his insurance.

The service officer knew that this member's particular circumstances entitled him to start drawing benefits from his insurance. But the veteran did not, and the Veterans Administration did not tell him so when he mistakenly decided to cancel his policy.

The adjutant of a midwestern post struggled with the problem of a close relative who had been discharged from

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Local publicity from your post about vets' benefits. ▲

service in a mentally ill condition. Only after two years did he mention it to a Legion service officer—who immediately got Veterans Administration care for the relative through Legion channels that stretched across half the continent.

A west coast Legionnaire recently wrote across the country to a national American Legion office to ask if he might be entitled to a veteran's pension. He need only have asked his post service officer.

Similarly, hundreds of Legionnaires write each year to distant offices for badly needed information or advice that they can get in their own posts. Usually, they only write when their particular problems have bothered them for a long time.

There must be a remarkable defect in the pattern of the veterans service program of many of our posts when our members, even the officers and past officers of our posts, don't call on our service officers when they need them.

This defect is even more forcefully impressed upon us by the much larger number of non-Legionnaire veterans and their families who—when in need of help—don't seem to know where to look for it, or even that it exists.

PHOTOS BY DANNY LEO

If we are not reaching the public with our most important program we need look no further for the answer to many other problems with which our posts sometimes struggle, such as membership.

Any community whose citizens aren't conditioned to think of their Legion post when they need its help is a community that is not Legion-conscious; and that's poor soil for a post to grow and prosper in.

In any such town, the most immediate problem of the entire post, which the commander should bring forcefully home to the whole membership, is to expand its veterans' service program. To do this two major aims must be met.

First, the post must take the necessary steps to see that its pledge of service to veterans and their families is impressed upon everyone in town.

Second, it must be ready with an enlarged service program to meet the added calls on the post for help that such a campaign will attract.

Since many posts do have such programs, while many others do not, how can every member recognize whether or not his own post's program fills the bill?

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Legion Warns Vets on Pension Forms

Local veterans were reminded yesterday by J. F. Roe, Commander of American Legion Post 52, that those who get pension income forms from the VA this month should file them promptly in order to protect their rights.

Commander Roe stated that regulations require the VA to suspend payments if the forms are not properly filled out and returned.

Post service officer Dick Doe will assist any veterans or widows who need help with the forms, Commander Roe stated.

Doe may be reached between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. weekdays at the Post, it was announced.

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FIRST SERGEANT DUTCH USMC

EVEN THE TOUGHEST LEATHERNECKS OF THE "OLD MARINE CORPS"

RECOGNIZED THE HARD-BITTEN SERGEANT AS A MASTER.

By **H. B. STOWERS**

1st Sgt. Frank Miller, USMC

I WAS A STAFF NONCOM with three hashmarks, and considered myself to be pretty salty when I first met Dutch. Of course I had heard of him; the Corps was only about half the size of the New York Police Department at that time, and the word got around. In the eyes of Dutch, though, I was only a "boot," and he minced no words in informing me about the height of my niche on the post totem pole when I reported to him at the American Legation Guard, Tientsin, China, on a cold, blustery November day in 1940.

The burly first sergeant had 28 years of service, not counting the hitch he did in the Prussian Army before he came to the United States and made his way as unerringly as a homing pigeon to the U. S. Marine Corps.

Dutch was a huge barrel of a man, close to 240 pounds, bald as an onion. And when he became enraged, as he did many times each day, his bald pate would quickly change

from a light Nordic pink to an outraged scarlet. His white-hot blue eyes, framed in a network of seagoing wrinkles, would snap and sparkle like lights from the Aurora Borealis. A bulbous, knoblike nose, crisscrossed with startling veins and sears, would change from a beery rose to an unbelievable purple. An underslung, bulldog chin, followed up with waves of minor chins, would quiver, jut forth, and trigger off barrages so salty that even the longest-dead first sergeant probably stirred in admiration from his grave. Victims of direct hits from such barrages never forgot their intensity—nor their effectiveness. The words, per se, were hard to understand, but the messages were as distinct as ten-foot letters projected on a huge screen.

Company commanders loved Dutch, for once he took over as first sergeant of a company, the company commander's troubles became negligible. A man with problems seldom got

further than the first sergeant. He ran a taut ship, but even that trenebant nautical phrase is inadequate for describing the manner in which Dutch performed his duties. He was everywhere, at all hours, prowling like a restless, lost soul; outraged from his position in the professional stratosphere at the inept stupidity and errant behavior of the new generations of marines. Bathed in a burning zeal, no doubt dictated by the ghosts of departed great marines ever perched on his burly shoulders, he accepted those dictates with a fervor matched only by a missionary who goes forth alone and unarmed into a tribe of savage headhunters.

First Sergeant Dutch started each day before four o'clock, and rarely slept before midnight. Cooks going on watch were generally the first to get a forward thrust, an infusion of energy, and to encounter the vitriolic tongue of the energetic top kike, especially if they were as much as one minute late in opening the galley and commencing breakfast for the ever-hungry troops.

On cold, stormy nights Dutch would volunteer assistance to the officer of the day and the sergeant of the guard, though never bothering to inform those officials. He knew that miserable, half-frozen sentries were often prone to seek out a sheltered cove and ride out the storm more comfortably than on the charted course. Often during such nights on the "dead man's watch," half of the garrison would be awakened by the roars of the first sergeant as he berated a lax sentry.

Though few of the men realized the fact, the punishment meted out by Dutch never hurt a man's service record nor resulted in confinement on bread and water in the post brig. His punishment was strictly limited to "tongue lashings" or at the most, di-

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JOHN McDERMOTT



We saw Old Glory hauled down and the Japanese flag raised.

recting the culprit to "volunteer" ten dollars of his pay to be placed in savings on the "books." In those days the Marine Corps encouraged men to save money by depositing it on the pay records, to draw four percent interest, and to be withdrawn only at the expiration of the marine's enlistment. Many of the slower to learn found themselves with sizable savings, all "saved" through Dutch's method of punishment for minor infractions of discipline and conduct.

Always in a crowd, but in a manner always alone, the old campaigner was probably unaware of the growing tension during the fall of 1941. The international situation was grave, as one could tell by listening to the radio commentators or reading the newspapers. Thus, on the morning that Japan started the United States into the great war, Dutch started the day by thoroughly chewing out Corporal Joe Galewski, cook on watch, for drowsily opening the galley two minutes late. After he thoroughly awakened the sleepy cook with a brisk verbal lashing, the



Some became so discouraged they simply walked out on stormy nights and grabbed the high-voltage barbed wire.

old warrior thought that at such a cold, snow-banked, predawn hour, at least one of the sentries would be caulking off. He was bulldozing through the snow in search of such a malfeactor when, through the swirling snow in the dim predawn light, he noted hundreds of Japanese soldiers perched on the 50-foot Tartar Wall surrounding the Legation Compound.

At the time Pearl Harbor was being bombed into flaming shambles, Dutch scampered grimly up the wall ramp and confronted the Japanese soldiers. He strode angrily up and down the rows of Nipponese, gesticulating, threatening, cursing, and demanding that they leave their unauthorized position forthwith. For the first time in his long career Dutch was ignored. Finally, livid with rage, and snorting, "Der Old Man vill hear about dis right now," he descended the ramp and headed for the commanding officer's quarters.

The commanding officer had already heard, and a muster was being called as Dutch stormed up to the office. We manned our battle stations, 50 against the entire North China Expeditionary Force which numbered more than a quarter of a million well-armed troops, and waited for the show to get on the road. Only the commanding officer knew that there would be no show; one shot would doom the women, children, and State Department personnel the marines were there to guard. None of us had ever heard of a marine surrendering without firing a shot, but that is what we did. We wept as (Continued on page 54)

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WASHINGTON PRO & CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT: Should we share atomic information with our North Atlantic allies?



(PRO) Should we share atomic information with our North Atlantic allies?

I say "yes."

It was, I think, Dr. Edward Teller who made up an atomic alphabet, a portion of which went something like this:

"S is for Secret. You can keep it forever.
"If the other fellow is not sufficiently clever."

The Russians have certainly shown themselves to be sufficiently clever. U.S. secrecy does not keep the Russians from finding out the secret. What it does is force our friends to make a considerable effort, which costs money and uses scarce scientific personnel, to find out for themselves.

Now, we — by which I mean NATO as a whole — do not have so much money and so many scientists that we can afford this kind of wasteful duplication. We have got to pool our scientific resources just as we have already pooled our military resources. What is often overlooked by opponents of this kind of arrangement is that the United States stands to gain a great deal from the work of European scientists.

It is ridiculous to refuse to tell our friends what our potential enemies obviously know already, and much atomic information is in this category.

So far as nuclear weapons themselves are concerned, the more they are refined and adapted to tactical use, the more unrealistic it becomes to try to distinguish between nuclear and conventional weapons.

Nuclear weapons are becoming conventional, and so-called "conventional" weapons are becoming obsolete. American troops have nuclear weapons. We should not ask European troops to fight, and perhaps die, alongside the Americans if the Europeans are deprived of the same weapons.

Theodore F. Green

Theodore F. Green (D), U.S. Senator from Rhode Island



(CON) I do not believe it wise for the United States to share all atomic secrets with our allies.

Past experience has shown that sharing has meant giving away. Loose security measures on the part of other nations have allowed secrets to leak to the Soviets and have erased years of leadership built up by expenditure of vast amounts of our money and the work of our dedicated scientists. It is tragic that priceless knowledge gained through overwork which killed Dr. Fermi, after he had in effect revolutionized the concept of energy through the atomic pile, should have been passed on to communism through Dr. Fuchs and lax British security measures.

Also, the word "ally" today has lost much of its meaning. Unstable governments in other countries destroy the firmness of pacts which make them our allies. France, whose governments have risen and then been cut down by the scythe of instability, can surely not be considered a fit recipient for scientific knowledge that we have spent billions to secure. Who knows what day the communists themselves might take over the government of France, and even in a brief interval unravel the cloak of secrecy which must protect our atomic know-how?

The tendency of our allies to depend on us financially means that we are in reality now paying for their atomic research projects. Britain recently discovered heavy water secrets which may open the door to harnessing hydrogen, most plentiful of the elements. Yet, almost the next day the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced they would again ask to postpone \$134,400,000 in payments due us.

The tendency of our allies to veer toward neutralism, to promote economic bargaining with communism, and to show genuine distaste for maintenance of their shares of mutual military preparedness, in my mind makes them poor risks for information that may preserve the future existence of our Nation.

Henry C. Dworshak

Henry C. Dworshak (R), U.S. Senator from Idaho

By **FRANK RIZZATTI**

A FEW YEARS AGO the country was swept by a craze for three-dimensional pictures, thanks largely to a number of spectacular movies, notably the Cinerama films. For a time theaters were jammed with spectated spectators enjoying the novelty of various Hollywood stereo films, and then interest waned abruptly. However, the craze caused a lot of people to take up stereo picture-making and the "two-eyed" cameras that mark the stereo amateurs are a common sight today.

Now we are on the verge of a similar development in the field of sound. Thanks again to the motion pictures, which have been conditioning the public to stereophonic or three-dimensional sound, there is a new craze in the making which is likely to reach into every American home within a very few years. This prediction is fairly safe because so many homes are ready for it, with basic equipment in the way of high-fidelity sound apparatus. Add to this basic equipment a few accessories, and you will be able to hear recordings (already in production) which provide "the most realistic sounds ever," with *both* your ears functioning normally.

In other words, you will be able to hear an orchestra just as it sounds to the listener in a concert hall, or an operatic company as it sounds at the Metropolitan. Haven't we been doing this all along, in listening to present-day records being played on good hi-fi equipment? Not at all, since nearly all reproduced music (even that from radio or TV) comes to us through a single transmission path or channel, monaurally, as if intended for only one ear. Our second ear, although listening, serves only to amplify the sound a little, since it hears essentially the same thing heard by the other.

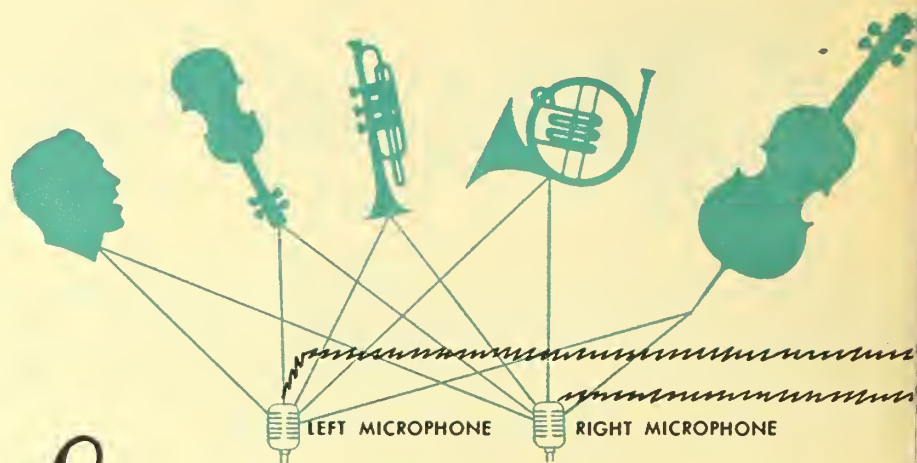
We do not always hear the same thing with both ears, just as we do not see exactly the same thing with both eyes. Our left eye sees a little more around to the left of an object while the right eye sees a little more around to the right. The two images are superimposed by the brain and this gives us binocular or stereo vision, so that we see things "in the round."

Our two ears do not function exactly as do our two eyes, but the reasons for having a *pair* of ears are pretty much the same. Each ear picks up a slightly different pattern of sound from that picked up by the other. The difference between the two patterns enables us to determine the direction from which the

sound comes. More subtly, it permits us to visualize, mentally, the correct relationship in space between the various elements of complex sounds, such as those emitted by a full symphony orchestra.

Working on this principle, movie sound technicians have provided realistic stereophonic sound to go with the big screens now in use, and it is this same principle that is being employed to provide stereophonic sound for home enjoyment.

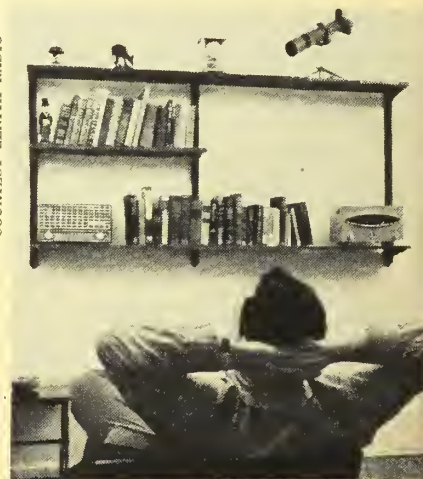
At this point, a clear distinction is necessary between two words that you will hear mentioned frequently in this new world of sound. One is "binaural" and the other is "stereophonic." They are often used interchangeably, not always correctly, even by engineers. Our hearing is truly binaural. More or less common agreement decrees that binaural sound reproduction is that which is picked up by two microphones, transmitted through separate channels, arriving finally through *headphones*, so that each ear hears only the sound picked up



Something NEW in SOUND

There is a new craze in the making —
based on stereo phonograph records
which provide amazing realism.

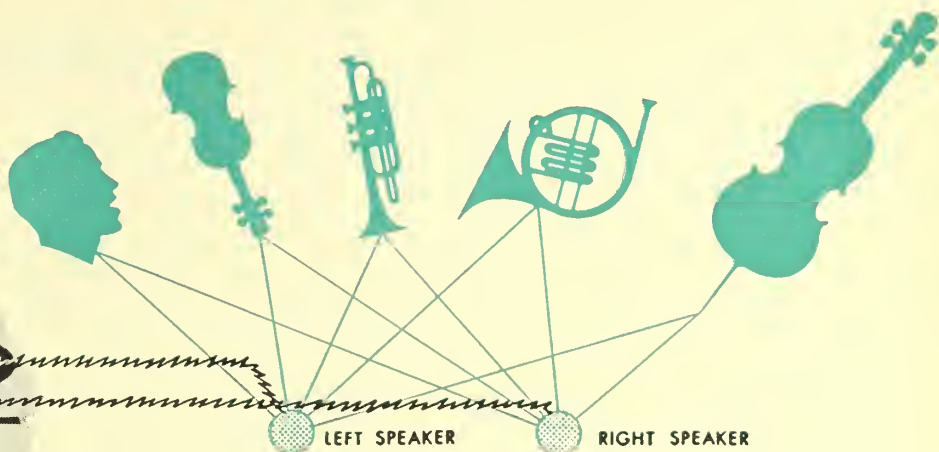
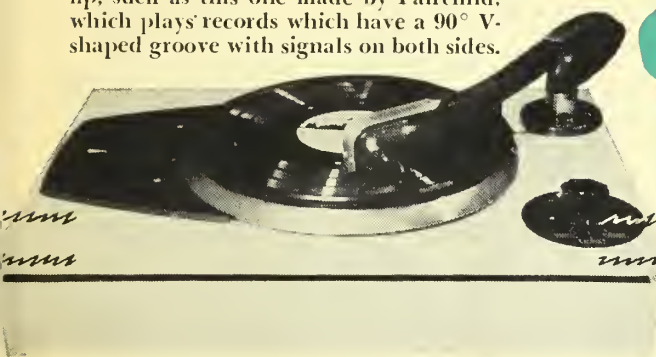
COURTESY ZENITH RADIO



Some stations broadcast the same program on AM and FM, and you can get a stereo effect by listening with separate AM and FM receiving sets.

originally by the left or right microphone, as the case may be. The microphones are usually spaced a distance equal to the distance between our own ears.

Heart of the system is the special pick-up, such as this one made by Fairchild, which plays records which have a 90° V-shaped groove with signals on both sides.



Definitely in the luxury class is this integrated stereo reproducer selling for \$1830.

COURTESY JAMES B. LANSING

This method offers the closest approximation to "live" hearing.

Stereophonic sound differs from binaural in two major respects. There is a good deal more flexibility with regard to mike placement, and the sound is finally reproduced through suitably placed loudspeakers. The effects of the two systems are not the same, but the conveniences of stereophonic sound make it far more attractive.

The advent and increasing popularity of reasonably priced home tape recorders has been the most stimulating factor, during the past year or two, toward exciting the recording industry's interest in stereo reproduction. Practically all of the record companies have been recording with stereo apparatus for some time, and nearly all have issued stereophonic tapes of major works. These have been immensely popular with audiophiles but have generally been considered too expensive for large-scale acceptance by the public, because the cost is usually two or three times greater than it would be for the same music offered monaurally on LP discs.

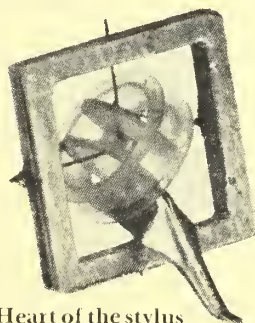
Tape has many inherent advantages, however, and experts feel that it will continue in favor where the ultimate in reproduction is required. Among other things, tape is generally considered to be quieter, capable of higher fidelity through greater frequency range, and it has less distortion. It also offers longer life since many playings have no appreciable effect on it. On the other hand, merchandising experts feel that tape is not quite convenient enough in its handling qualities to interest a really large segment of the public. It is only fair to point out, however, that large portions of the same public have been buying, and presumably using, roll-film movie cameras for a long time. These are certainly not any easier, if as easy, to load and manipulate than a tape recorder.

Although fair-quality home-type tape
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COURTESY AMPEN



Stereo tapes are played through two speakers.



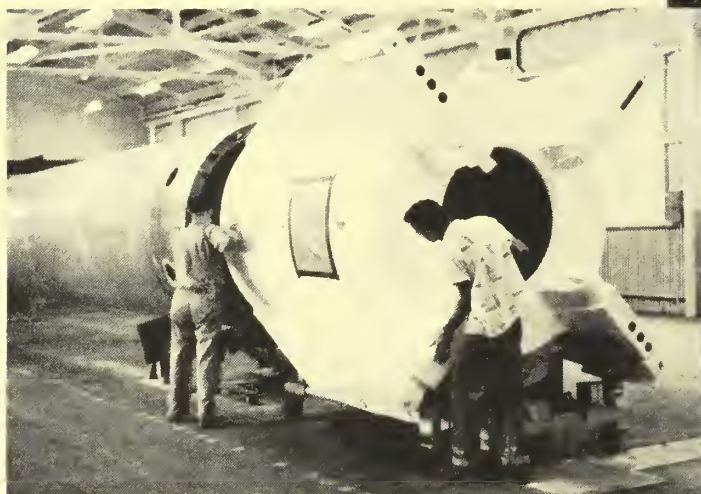
Heart of the stylus cartridge, shown at top of page. Coils on frame are at 45° angle to vertical axis of groove.



Audio Fidelity was first to offer discs using Westrex system.

POWER FOR WAR

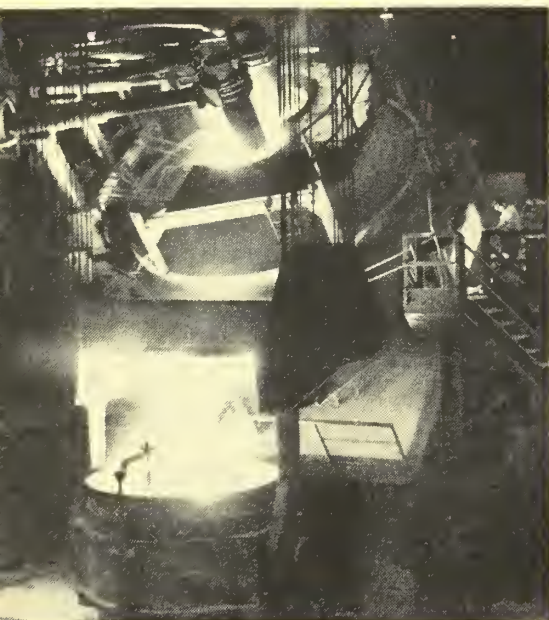
It takes fabulous amounts of electricity to run our modern civilization and defend it.



This aluminum tail section of a Redstone missile could not have been made without tremendous power resources.



You can see electricity at work in this flash butt welding machine. It is welding titanium at 3200 degrees F. for use in jet aircraft.



By JAMES N. SITES

WARTIME FIGHTING MEN may have thought they were *shooting* enemy troops when they let loose a barrage of bullets and shells. But as much as anything they were out to electrocute the enemy.

For the explanation behind this seeming fantasy, you have to go all the way back to homefront industries, and to the giant role that electric power plays in producing military equipment. This role is so basic, in fact, that guns can readily be pictured as ripping out charges of electricity. Missiles, as bolts of lightning. Atomic bombs, as superconcentrated

◀ This electric furnace is used primarily to make stainless and other alloy steels.

packets of current. Battlewagons, as floating powerhouses.

As Washington defense planners are all too well aware, without fabulous amounts of electricity to power the sprawling industrial complex behind our Armed Forces, we might still be using blowguns and bows and arrows. Navies could sail off to war on rafts and dug-out canoes. And as for the Air Force—well, there just wouldn't be any!

All this may add up to an extreme picture. But it is certainly doubtful that military equipment would now be much different from Napoleon's day if the world since had not gone electrical in a big way.

Electricity has sparked more than radical changes in defense, of course.

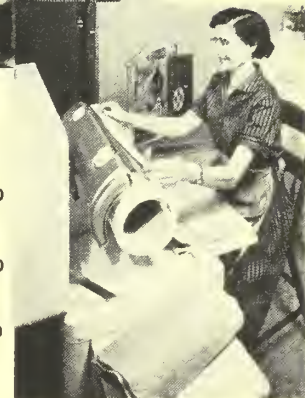
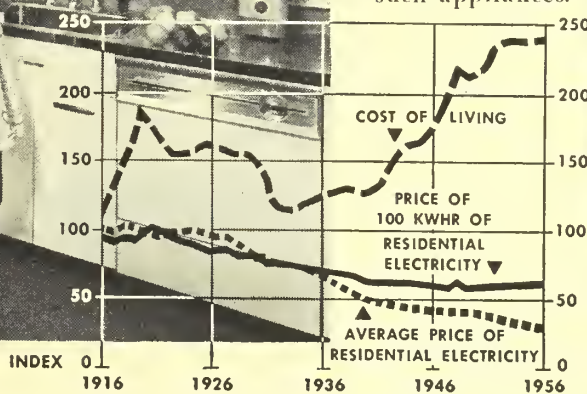
AND PEACE



Electrified homes make modern housekeeping a pleasure.



The chart shows why everyone can afford to utilize such appliances.



Without abundant power, America's factories could turn out only a fraction of the diverse and wonderful products that go into our high standards of living. A raft of appliances lightens the housewife's work, makes the modern home as comfortable as a castle. Electricity puts the streamlining into office procedures, the gleam into our stores, and the sparkle into our cities.

This indispensable spark of modern life is put into perspective by Frederick Stueck, vice chairman of the U. S. Federal Power Commission, who declares: "No single factor has contributed so

much to the advancement of the human race, or is so directly indicative of the status of a civilization, as man's use of mechanical power."

And electricity is the essential driving force behind productive machinery. In all nations industry rests firmly on an electrical foundation — and nowhere more so than here in the United States.

Surprisingly, this force which gives each worker the muscles of a Hercules has seen use for only a little more than a century. In 1831 the first mechanical dynamo was demonstrated by Michael Faraday. And just 75 years ago Thomas Edison started up the nation's first central power station at Pearl Street in New York City.

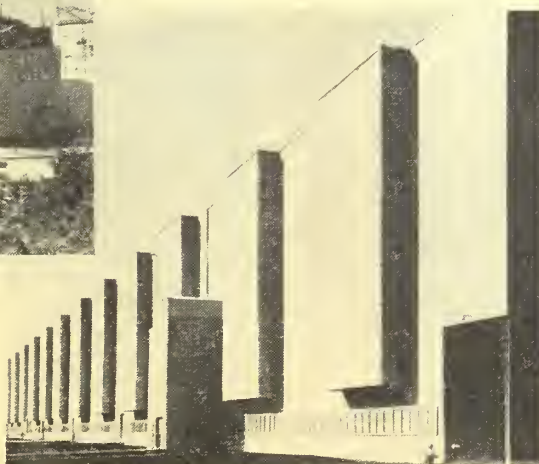
Some fantastic growth has been chalked up by electric utilities since that time. Use soared as the electric power grid spread out over the country and reached into practically every home, store, and factory. From 75 kilowatt-hours in 1900, power use per person zoomed to 4,000 kilowatt-hours today. In the past 40 years alone population has increased by 70 percent, but power consumption has boomed at 20 times this rate.

Nor is the end to this phenomenal expansion anywhere in sight. In fact we all are shifting increasingly toward

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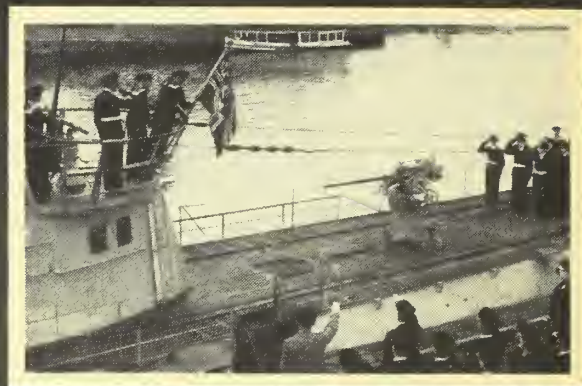


This plant owned by Indiana-Kentucky Electric Corp. supplies power for the Atomic Energy Commission's plant at Portsmouth, Ohio, shown at right.



AMERICA'S MOST UNUSUAL WAR TROPHY

The loser in a little-known naval battle of World War II is now beached on Chicago's lakefront.



THE BEGINNING: The *U-505* was commissioned on August 26, 1941, at Hamburg, Germany.

By IRVING HERSCHEIN

SITTING HIGH AND DRY on the lakefront behind Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry is the former German submarine *U-505*. The loser of one of the most dramatic naval engagements of World War II, it is now one of the most popular exhibits at this world-famous museum.

The U-boat is also a unique memorial dedicated "... to the memory of the American seamen who went down to unmarked ocean graves helping to win victory at sea."

The series of events which brought the submarine ashore in Chicago 12 years after
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A fighter plane sweeps by overhead as the escort carrier *Guadalcanal* moves in to tow the abandoned and sinking *U-505*. Meanwhile the destroyer escorts picked up the submarine's crew from the water.



On June 26, 1954, the *U-505* began the last leg of her trip to the permanent berth at the Museum of Science and Industry.



When the sub's engines were stopped she settled low in the water and the boarding party thought she was about to sink under them.



After completing temporary salvage measures, the task group, with the sub in tow, began a 1,700-mile voyage to Bermuda to preserve the secret of the capture.



A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

TAX DEDUCTION FOR LEGION OFFICIALS CITED:

"Newsletter" is getting many requests to cite the specific ruling which permits unpaid officials of the American Legion to deduct from taxable income as charitable contributions their legitimate travel expenses when officially representing the Legion -- to the extent not compensated by the Legion.

"Newsletter" is advised that the citation is: IRS: Rev. Rul. 57-327. 7-15-57.

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WHAT TO DO WITH FOUND DISCHARGES:

If you find the military discharge of someone unknown to you, what should you do with it? . . . That question has been asked more than once of "Newsletter," by those who realize that a lost discharge may be very important to the loser of it.

Answer: The various branches of the Armed Forces will receive found discharges and attempt to return them to the owners. . . . They may be sent to whichever of the following addresses that is appropriate, with a covering letter saying: "The enclosed discharge has been found and is forwarded to your department for disposition."

Army -- Send to: The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C.

Navy -- Send to: The Chief of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy, Arlington Annex, Arlington, Virginia.

Air Force -- Send to: Director of Military Personnel, Department of the Air Force, Washington 25, D.C.

Marine Corps -- Send to: Director of Personnel, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps, Washington 25, D.C.

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INVESTIGATING THOSE WHO RAISE FUNDS IN THE NAME OF AMERICA'S VETERANS:

The House Committee on Veterans Affairs of the U.S. Congress has been conducting current hearings on various groups which solicit money from the public for the reason or pretense that it will be used to assist needy veterans.

Untold millions have been raised from the general public in the name of veterans since WW2. . . . Some has gone 100% to the cause for which it was raised. . . . Some has been used partially for the benefit of worthy war veterans while the balance -- often large sums -- has merely paid huge fund-raising costs, sometimes at fancy salaries or commissions . . . and there have been thousands of rackets which have used none -- or only a token -- of the funds raised for the benefit of veterans. . . . Probably the rackets and semi-rackets have raised most of the money, as they tend to use more pressure and, not being sincerely interested in anything but the buck, have made the most extravagant claims.

The leading veterans organizations, including The American Legion, testified on their fund-raising activities at the hearings. . . . But probably the most interest was stirred up by NAVEC (National Ass'n of Veterans' Employment Counselors). . . . That group is most familiar as a mailer of unsolicited ball-point pens, claiming that profits go to support a nationwide organization engaged in finding jobs for disabled veterans. . . . Both the President's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped and the national American Legion have disavowed any connection between NAVEC and themselves, as a result of numerous queries to both the President's Committee and the Legion.

The House Committee is to be congratulated on its investigation, and when its hearings are published they should be widely publicized.

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HOW DUAL COMPENSATION LAWS AFFECT RETIRED MILITARY PERSONNEL TODAY:

Challenges and appeals of the "dual compensation" laws that restrict gov't employment of those who get military retirement pay have left many who are concerned with this question in doubt of the current situation. . . . (Dual compensation laws restrict what a person who gets retirement pay from the government can earn by actively working for the government in a new capacity.)

The American Legion Economic Commission has advised "Newsletter" that the current situation is as follows; assuming in each case that the individual is drawing military retirement pay:

1. Retired enlisted man -- no limitation on his earnings in government employment.
2. Reserve officer, retired as a reservist, who maintains a reserve status -- no limitation.
3. Retired officer of the regular service whose retirement is for disability incurred in combat, or by an instrumentality of war in line of duty -- no limitation.
4. Regular officer retired for reasons of injuries or incapacity incurred in line of duty other than in combat or by an instrumentality of war -- combined income limitation of \$10,000 total military retirement pay and annual earnings in gov't employment.
5. Retired regular officer or warrant officer, not retired for disability -- cannot hold a federal job if combined income exceeds \$2,500. (Some exceptions, including Presidential appointments.)

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5TH FIELD ARTILLERY ASKS FORMER MEMBERS TO PROVIDE HISTORICAL DATA:

The 5th Field Artillery seeks to enlarge its historical files. . . . Specifically it wants information and/or photos of former officers, sergeant majors or first sergeants, for any

period from 1900 to the present...Former members who may have such data, about themselves or others, and wish to help, should write: M/Sgt Philip J. A. MacDonald: Svc. Btry., 1st FA Bn (Rkt/How): 5th Artillery; Fort Riley, Kans.

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COLLECTORS OF MILITARY INSIGNIA HAVE THEIR OWN SOCIETY; PUBLICATIONS:

Persons interested in collecting, or accumulating information on, military insignia and military heraldry, may be glad to know that there is an American Society of Military Insignia Collectors...Society publishes an informative quarterly magazine for its members, called "The Trading Post", catalogs all known distinctive military insignia...For more details, write: Lt. Col. Beatrice M. Dare, Secretary, American Society of Military Insignia Collectors, W. 707 Fifth Ave., Spokane 4, Washington.

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VETS PREFERENCE IN GOV'T JOB RETENTION DURING LAYOFF UPHELD BY APPEALS COURT:

When a gov't agency has to reduce its staff, veterans cannot be bumped ahead of non-veterans in their own categories, the U.S. Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia has ruled, in a 2-1 decision...That action was the first court test of the job-retention rights of veterans under the Veterans Preference Act.

However, the dissenting judge -- E. Barrett Prettyman -- urged the non-veterans involved in the case to appeal it to the Supreme Court...His dissenting opinion stated that it was unconstitutional for the Congress to specify what individuals the executive branch of the government may employ...And he interpreted the job-retention aspects of the Veterans Preference Act as a specification of individuals to be employed.

The U.S. Constitution does not empower the Congress to press individuals upon the executive branch, but specifies that Congress may direct, by law, the procedures of gov't employment.

When it comes to hiring gov't employees, the Civil Service law employs the "rule of three"...It requires agencies to hire one of the top three candidates on the register for any particular job...This avoids the constitutional question that a law requiring the employment of the top one on the register would raise -- as it gives agencies a choice.

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BLIZZARD SLOWS SOME VA INSURANCE CORRESPONDENCE:

The VA had 1.3 million veterans' insurance records loaded in trucks in Washington in February when a blizzard with combined snowfall, high wind and low temperatures seldom seen in the east crippled transportation along the eastern seaboard for a week...Result: A quick shift of the Washington VA insurance records to the Philadelphia VA office in a consolidation-of-records operation bogged down...Which may explain why some veterans are temporarily getting slow answers on insurance correspondence with either the Washington or Philadelphia offices...Such a delay triggers a chain reaction slowdown that may last for some time, due to an accumulation of backlog.

MISCELLANEOUS FACTS ON VETERANS BENEFITS SOME OF WHICH MAY APPLY TO YOU:

Here, briefly stated, are nine points related to veterans benefits and rights, some of which may affect you:

1. A state veterans bonus does not count as income that disqualifies veterans from receiving pension.
2. Paid-up service life insurance policies continue to share in dividends, matured policies do not.
3. Veterans entitled to VA medical care cannot go to a private doctor and have him bill the VA, without VA approval...But emergency private care for service-connected affliction may, under some circumstances, be paid for by VA if it is notified promptly (usually within 72 hours.)
4. Many veterans who are clearly entitled to various benefits are walking the streets in ignorance of them...Latest to come to "Newsletter's" attention is a WWI vet who was cut off of 10% service-connected compensation in the Economy Act of 1933...He thought that was that, not knowing the Economy Act had been whipped in 1934...A Legionnaire friend has just steered him to a Legion service officer, and his clear right to compensation and medical care has been restored, with his disability now 60%.
5. Many cases are again cropping up in which a veteran dies without changing the beneficiary of his service life insurance as he would unquestionably have wanted to change it...If your beneficiary of record isn't the one you now want it to be, you should change it now...Even those in the best of health are still being massacred by automobiles, tornadoes, short circuits, desperadoes, etc., without enough warning to execute a change of beneficiary...VA must pay the stated beneficiary, even if it is a person no longer closely connected with you.
6. All holders of service life insurance can save money by paying their premiums annually instead of at shorter intervals.
7. WWI vets whose income is now reduced should be aware of the basic qualifications for a veteran's Part III pension...Ask your service officer to apply for one if (a) you have some small degree of disability and (b) you are no longer working or are only able to do minimal work, and (c) your present income is under \$2700 (if you are supporting a wife or minor child) or \$1400 if you are not supporting a wife or minor child...Your chances of qualifying will be pretty good...Some may not make it, depending on VA's estimate of their present employability.
8. Young veterans may also qualify for pensions under the same conditions, except their disabilities must be much more severe.
9. Veterans eligible for compensation who could also qualify for pension may choose either...Pension rate of \$66.15 a month is more than rate for 30% compensation...Pension for those over 65, or 10 years on rolls, is \$78.75, or more than for 40% compensation.

APRIL 1958

Group Insurance for Members Okayed by Nat'l Legion Body

Something new was authorized to be added to the privileges of membership in The American Legion, at a special meeting of the National Executive Committee, in Washington, D. C., on February 22.

On that date a plan to make group life insurance available to members of The American Legion was approved. The insurance would be at a flat rate of \$12.00 a year (except in New York and Puerto Rico, where local law requires a payment of \$16.00 for the first policy year).

The amount of insurance would range from \$4,000 at age 34, or younger, to lesser amounts with increased age, as detailed below.

The plan is voluntary with each member of The American Legion.

When the National Executive Committee okayed the plan, National Commander John S. Gleason, Jr., ordered it to be put into effect as soon as possible, so that group insurance would be available to Legion members this Spring.

It was estimated that it would take about a month for administrative machinery to be set up to provide applications and handle queries of interested Legionnaires.

The insurer, whose plan was approved by the NEC, is the Occidental Life Insurance Company of California, eighth largest group life insurer in the country.

The U. S. Life Insurance Co. of N. Y. is the insurer for members in New York and Puerto Rico.

The basic group policy approved by the National Executive Committee applies to all Legionnaires, except permanent residents of Texas, Ohio, New York, Puerto Rico, and North Carolina. Similar plans, with variations in provisions and amounts required by local law, were approved for members in those departments.

The group insurance plan is to be written in the State of Missouri. The basic plan is described below:

How Much Insurance?

To keep the yearly payment low for all age groups, the basic group policy allows \$4,000 of insurance for members

through age 34, and decreasing amounts of insurance for the same low annual rate as they get older.

This permits the most insurance for members with growing families and reduced insurance in later years as their children grow up. The amount of insurance could be kept at \$4,000 for all members only by charging substantially higher rates or increasing the annual rate steeply with age.

Favorable experience after the plan has been in operation might permit broader benefits in the future. Meanwhile, the plan allows the following insurance for \$12 a year under the basic group policy:

Age through 34	\$4,000
Age 35 through 44	2,250
Age 45 through 54	1,100
Age 55 through 59	600
Age 60 through 64	400
Age 65 through 69	250
Age 70	Insurance terminates.

Fewer deaths each year among the

younger groups account for the higher amount of insurance they can get for a flat \$12 a year.

Low Cost

Low cost is a feature of all group insurance, and the Legion plan is no exception. The cost is well below that of individual term insurance — common form of low-cost family insurance.

For example, for the 30 years from age 30 to 59, *individual* rates for term insurance offered by the same company would make the same protection cost \$132.45 more than under the Legion group plan. (Actually, individual term insurance is not offered in amounts less than \$5,000 by Occidental.)

The comparative figures are:

Legion group plan, total cost for the 30 years . . . \$360.00.

Same coverage at individual term insurance rates, total cost for the 30 years . . . \$492.45.

The insuring of a large number of people under a single group policy cuts administrative costs, and is one of the chief factors in lowering the cost of insurance to members of special groups.

Total cost for Legion members under
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Questions and Answers About Group Life Insurance for Legion Members

Here are some fundamental questions and answers regarding The American Legion group life insurance plan.

1. Q. Does every member of The American Legion have to apply for this insurance?

A. No. It is an insurance opportunity that is offered to members only, as an extra advantage of membership which you may apply for or not as you wish.

2. Q. When do I make payments?

A. The first payment with your application. Thereafter, by December 31 each year, for the following year.

3. Q. The first insurance year ends December 31, and if I apply in April, that is not a full year. Do I pay a full year's payment with my application in that case?

A. No, for the first year, figure your payments at \$1.00 a month beginning with the month following the date of your application. (\$1.34 a month in New York and Puerto Rico.)

Thus, if you apply in April, you will pay for insurance from May through December. That would be \$8.00 with your application for eight months (except in New York and Puerto Rico where it would be \$10.72 for eight months at \$1.34 a month for the first year).

4. Q. I understand that while this insurance is more liberal than individual policies, some people will only be accepted if 75 per cent of the members of their posts are insured. If I am in this class, what happens if 75 per cent of my post are not signed up at the time that I apply?

A. Your application and payment will be held for a reasonable period while a check is made on the percentage of your post that is insured. Then you will either be insured, or your payment will be refunded.

5. Q. Suppose that it is much later before 75 per cent of my post are insured under this plan, can I re-apply?

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INSURANCE APPROVED

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the basic plan is remarkably low. A Korea veteran who insures himself at age 29 and outlives the policy by reaching his 70th birthday would have spent \$492.00 for insurance protection over 41 years. Older Legionnaires would pay proportionately less in total cost over fewer years.

Who's Insurable?

Many persons who have difficulty qualifying for personal life insurance except at especially high premium rates are insurable under conditions offered by group plans.

Legionnaires who wish to apply will answer three questions and, where any answer is adverse, will be asked to make a brief explanation.

They will state:

- (1). If they are working actively;
- (2). If they've been hospitalized in the last year; and
- (3). If they had a serious illness in the last five years.

Legionnaires who are good insurance risks, based on answers to these questions, are naturally insurable without further information.

Many who are impaired risks for individual policies will, if they are working or are normally employable, be insurable if 75 per cent of the members of their own American Legion posts are insured under the plan.

Insurance under this group plan could not be obtained for members who are unable to work because of their health.

Unique

The opportunity for low-cost group insurance is relatively scarce among non-professional organizations. It is far more common among employee groups. The size and stature of The American Legion has made such a policy available to its members. Approval of the plan by the National Executive Committee followed a close study of the subject by special Legion committees over several years, and by National Commander Gleason this year.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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A. Yes.

6. Q. If I am not accepted at all, what happens to my first payment?

A. Those who are not insurable under any circumstances will have their payments returned with that decision.

7. Q. If I am accepted, but later become too disabled to work, can I keep the insurance?

A. So long as you renew it each year on time.

8. Q. Once I am insured, payments

are due by December 31 each year for the following year. Do I have a 30-day grace period for payment after that date?

A. No.

9. Q. If I am late in making a payment, what happens?

A. You would not be insured after December 31, and you would have to send in a new application. You could be insured again if you were still insurable under the terms of the plan.

10. Q. Is this insurance convertible to a permanent insurance plan?

A. No.

11. Q. If I become insured, can I drop out of the Legion and keep the insurance?

A. No. This is insurance for a special group—members of The American Legion. No insurance is effective in any year in which you are not a paid-up member of The American Legion for that year.

12. Q. You say that the basic group policy does not apply in Texas, Ohio, New York, Puerto Rico, or North Carolina, because of state laws. Do these questions and answers apply to those states?

A. Only approximately. Special contracts have to be written for these states and Puerto Rico and such conditions as affect members will be publicized separately in those Departments.

13. Q. Many group insurance policies become ineffective if you are called into active duty with the Armed Forces, even in peacetime. Will that be true with this plan?

A. No. You may carry the insurance and be protected by it while on peacetime duty with the Armed Forces. There is a war-exclusion clause, so you would not be covered for a death occurring in military service in wartime.

14. Q. Suppose I become insured, then drop the insurance a few years later, and still later want to become insured again?

A. You would apply as a new applicant, and could be insured again if you met the conditions for a new applicant.

15. Q. I understand that this is annual insurance. That means that the Company could change the premium rate in some future year, couldn't it?

A. At the end of any insurance year the premium could be revised upward or downward, based on experience with this particular plan.

16. Q. Is that apt to happen?

A. The actuaries believe the present rate is sound. If experience requires a re-adjustment, it would not be apt to fluctuate very far from the basic \$12.00 individual payment in either direction.

17. Q. Is an individual's insurance contestable by the company at a later date?

A. A member's insurance is not contestable after it has been in force two years during his lifetime.

18. Q. Within that limit, on what basis would insurance be contestable?

A. If the member's application misinformed the company.

19. Q. Can the company call off the whole group policy in the future?

A. Only if the number of insured members is less than 5,000.

20. Q. When and where can I get an application form and descriptive literature?

A. About the time this magazine is in the mail they will be available at Insurance Plan, American Legion Nat'l Hq., P. O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Indiana, and shipped in bulk to posts. Later, by a mailing to all members.

21. Q. To whom do I apply for insurance and make payments?

A. Directly to Insurance Plan, American Legion Nat'l Hq., P. O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Indiana.

22. Q. If I become insured will I get a certificate of insurance?

A. Yes.

VETERANS SERVICES:

No Ball Game

Says a letter on the desk: "Please publish something to the point on (a) Is the federal veterans program bigger than can be justified? (b) Are Legionnaires just being selfish 'professional veterans' when they keep supporting that program, and (c) Are people turning against our disabled veterans or is it just a few zealots who say these things?"

Such a letter deserves some facts.

Looking west, let us note that the Dodgers won't play a double header in the Los Angeles Coliseum on July 4.

The Coliseum will have a fireworks show that day. It will net about \$100,000 for the Los Angeles County Council of American Legion posts.

In a year, Los Angeles Legionnaires will spend the whole sum in that one county. It will go for social services to needy and disabled veterans and their families that are not provided by the federal veterans program.

The citizens of Los Angeles have always backed the project to the hilt.

Looking east, some day soon you may have a chance to drop out to the U.S. VA hospital in Lyons, New Jersey to watch construction of a new amphitheater that will help in the readjustment of mentally ill veteran patients.

The amphitheater will cost about \$120,000, and the gov't will own it.

Another tax raid by selfish veterans? Not exactly. New Jersey Legionnaires and Auxiliaries have pledged the entire cost out of their own pockets.

It would seem that veterans services call for a lot more than the federal government provides, and that Legionnaires are not only supporting the basic federal program but are most unselfishly supplementing the federal program through their own efforts.

It would also seem that the public supports them when asked to do so.

One small Legion post in New York City has recently made it almost an even \$300,000 that it has raised and given away to assist disabled and needy vet-

erans since 1942, by unselfish effort.

That would be Isaac Gimbel Memorial Post 1206, made up of about 150 war veteran employees of Gimbel's New York department store which, on March 4, held its 17th annual Celebrities Ball in New York's Sheraton Astor Hotel.

"I get a laugh from this 'professional veteran' talk," says Aaron Lief, Gimbel employee who organized the post in 1938. Lief, a WWI vet, works in Gimbel's men's clothing department.

"We raise more than \$20,000 a year from our Celebrities Ball and give it all away," he says. "Our post treasury is always broke. I spend much of my free time in the Bronx VA hospital, and

other post members regularly visit VA hospitals and give voluntary service.

"That's the kind of experience that keeps you working and giving for our country's disabled veterans.

"Ed Sullivan of TV fame helps make our Celebrities Ball the success it is. He always acts as Master of Ceremonies and bring us top performers.

"We've given the money away to the Bronx, Brooklyn, Northport and Montrose Veterans Hospitals in New York State; the East Orange Veterans Hospital in New Jersey; the St. Albans Naval Hospital; the Bronx County Legion Hospital committee; the New York State American Legion Rehabilitation pro-

HOW ONE POST CELEBRATED THE AMERICAN LEGION'S BIRTHDAY

MONDAY



1. Proclamation.

TUESDAY



2. Joint meeting.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON



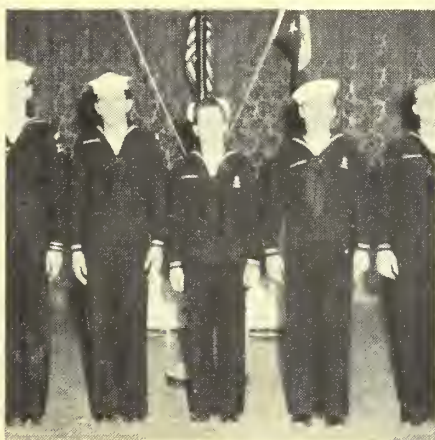
3. Teen-age dance.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT



4. Amateur play.

THURSDAY



5. Scout party.

FRIDAY



6. Old Timers' Night

March 15-17 was The American Legion's birthday, anniversary of the 1919 Paris caucus. Posts all over the country celebrated the event, and Post 214 Upper Darby, Pa., put on an observance that made its whole township Legion conscious. Photos show last year's events, which were repeated this year.

1. Monday. The Upper Darby Board of Commissioners proclaims American Legion Birthday Week in the township.

2. Tuesday. Post holds a joint meeting and buffet supper with its own Auxiliary and neighboring Women's Post 892; with a speaker from the FBI and a 40&8 initiation.

3. Wednesday afternoon. A teen-age dance is held at the post clubhouse.

4. Wednesday evening. The Upper Darby Players — amateur theater group — stage a two-act play at the post.

5. Thursday. Post plays host to Sea Scouts for a birthday party of their own.

6. Friday. Post is jammed with guests at Old Timers' Night party.

As befits a birthday party, all who attended the week's events came as guests of the post, which chalked the cost up to what it describes as tops in community public relations.



**THE
NATIONAL
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SAID:**

Quotes from messages and addresses of Nat'l Commander John S. Gleason, Jr.

"There exists today an imperative need for an informed, courageous, articulate voice to bespeak the concerns, the confidence and the convictions of our people . . ." *Atlantic City, December.*

"It's time somebody questioned a (school) system which by implication tolerates lawlessness, disrespect for authority, and moral and spiritual flabbiness because it discourages . . . disciplinary measures . . ." *New York, January.*

"In the face of current rumors of rivalry and dispute within the Pentagon, I believe the people would say: 'For Heaven's sake, gentlemen, let's stop acting like children and get on with the job . . .'" *Denver, January.*

"The (public) must not be shielded from reality. . . . Those who must make the . . . decisions that will determine our destiny must understand that we know the truth and are not afraid . . ." *Los Angeles, January.*

"When material benefits become the symbol of our society . . . we must wonder if they have weakened our ability to suffer, to sacrifice, to survive . . ." *Chicago, January.*

"The American Legion will back you completely if, in your judgement, our security demands that we forego a tax cut, forget about a balanced budget and raise the debt ceiling . . ." *To the Congress, Washington, D.C., January.*

"When the Soviet Communist Party siezed power in Russia it had fewer members than the Communist Party in the United States ten years ago . . ." *Chicago, February.*

"If the 2nd session of the 85th Congress did nothing more than adopt the Cordiner plan (to revise the pay system of the Armed Forces), it would have made a substantial contribution to our nation's security . . ." *Presque Isle, Me., January.*

VETERANS SERVICES (Continued)

gram which gives free service and counsel to any veterans who asks; the American Legion camp for convalescent veterans at Tupper Lake, N. Y.; and the Ladies Auxiliary of the U. S. Merchant Marine Hospital on Staten Island."

Lief doubts that the thinking public will ever forget the needs of war veterans or dismiss their war sacrifices as a financial nuisance. There are too many

good people for that to happen, he says.

"Mr. Joseph L. Eckhouse, Executive Head of Gimbel's New York department store, and his executives boost our post operation to the hilt," he adds, "and Gimbel's suppliers back up our veterans program by loading our Celebrities Ball printed program with their ads. So I doubt that our veterans in the hospitals are going to be forgotten, in spite of all you hear."

Service Officers Get Lowdown On Controversies In Veterans Affairs

Veterans Administration officials and members of Congress met face to face with American Legion service officers from all over the country during the last week in February. More than 500 service officers converged on Washington, D.C. for the 1958 edition of The American Legion's annual Rehabilitation Conference, Feb. 25, 26, 27 and 28.

Major issues aired by the service officers and top Legion officials, were:

1. The prospect of drastic cuts in veterans benefits this year, in line with Budget Bureau and Bradley Commission ideas, as widely rumored.
2. The shrinking of VA medical care by budget crackdowns in the face of a waiting list of 20,000 patients.
3. The making of Veterans Administration policy by the Bureau of the Budget.
4. Growing unemployment and its effect on war veterans.
5. The adverse effect on the war-disabled of the VA's current review of compensation awards made in the past.
6. The strangling of the GI home loan program by unrealistic provisions.
7. The need for improvement of veterans' and widows' VA pensions.
8. A host of questions regarding the treatment of veterans and their claims in VA hospitals and administrative offices, as seen by service officers on the spot.

Events

To tackle these problems, whose answers conceivably affect every war veteran in the country, the week-long American Legion program in the nation's capital offered a full calendar of events. They included:

1. Four days of panels in which top officials of the Veterans Administration; the Labor Department; the Social Security Administration; the U. S. Civil Service and the U. S. Department of Agriculture offered themselves for questioning by the Legion service officers on

matters affecting veterans that are administered by their agencies.

2. Hearings of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, attended by an audience of more than 400 service officers, at which Nat'l Cmdr John S. Gleason, Jr. and Nat'l Rehabilitation Chmn Robert M. McCurdy testified on current issues of veterans affairs, and the Congressional committee members responded.

3. Meetings of the Legion's Nat'l Rehabilitation Executive Committee, chairmanned by McCurdy.

4. Meetings of the Legion's Medical Advisory Board, chairmanned by Dr. Edward Overholser, head of St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, D.C.

5. Meetings of the Legion's Insurance Advisory Board, chairmanned by Past Nat'l Cmdr Milo Warner, of Ohio.

6. Meetings of the Legion's Nat'l Field Service representatives, under Field Service Director Nicholas Lynch, Jr.

7. Meetings of the Legion's Department Service Officers Ass'n.

8. Meetings of the Legion's Nat'l Economic Commission, headed by Chmn Stanley Huffman of Nebraska.

9. The annual American Legion Rehabilitation dinner on Feb. 27.

House Hearings

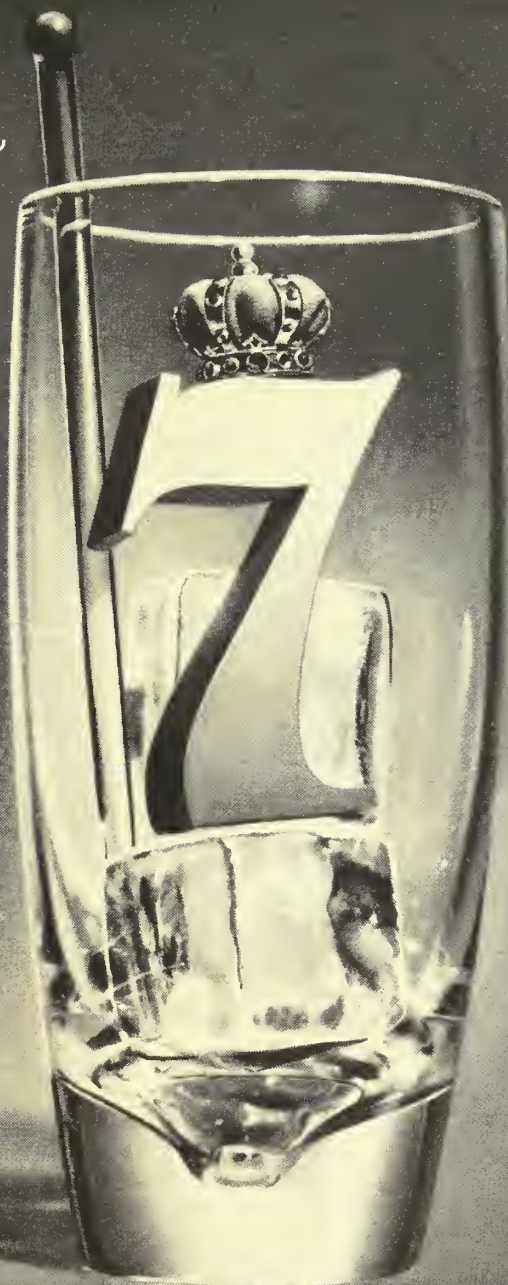
"No member of this Congress is entertaining any legislation to cut back veterans benefits by one dime," said House vets affairs chairman Rep. Olin E. Teague, of Texas. Teague made the statement in response to Nat'l Cmdr Gleason's and Rehab chmn McCurdy's testimony, on Feb. 25, that the nation's veterans were deeply disturbed at continuing rumors that the President would seek wholesale cutbacks in veterans' compensation and pensions.

Most of the members of Teague's committee concurred that for this year at least the rumored cutbacks would not get to first base in Congress.

Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, Mass.,

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POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our 17,000-odd posts. Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others that are so kindly reported to the editors.

Action—Sputnik I was barely in space when Post 26, Mountain Home, Idaho, sponsored an annual \$500 science scholarship for a graduate of Mountain Home High School.

Of like mind, Post 89, Allegan, Mich. gave its junior and senior high schools training aids in math, science and aviation to help interest youngsters in those fields.

Utilize Craze—Capitalizing on sports car craze, Post 521, Montgomery, N. Y. sponsored sports car races, netted funds from which \$900 was given Stewart Air Force Base to equip a youth activities center there.

Leg Art—Post 11, Lancaster, Ohio, let members sign their names on a hollow model of a leg. Fee, a dollar or more. Result: \$323.40 for March of Dimes.

Surplus—Members of Post 353, Cornell, Wis., offered four times as much blood as was needed for comrade Harry Sclers when he underwent major surgery.

Perseverance—Tiny Post 54, White-water, Kans., very short of assets, finally provided itself with a home and its town with its only community center. How? By holding dozens of fund-raising projects over many years, then putting up most of the building by hand, often at night.

For God and Country—Post 673, Huntley, Ill., gave \$500 to each of the three churches in Huntley.

Ask First—Post 32, Baltimore, Md., asked patients at Veterans Hospitals in Baltimore, Perry Point and Fort Howard what gift to the hospital they'd like most. Unanimous answer: TV sets. So the post gave two TV sets to each of the three hospitals.

Timely—Post 385, Kingston, Pa., brought in Army, Navy and Air Force experts to talk on missile programs at three successive Post meetings. Result: 100 more people wanted in than the hall would hold.

Unique—An active Legion post without youth or child welfare programs? Yes. Post 62, Youngstown, Ariz., has neither but aids the aged well. Youngstown, built for retired folks over 50, lacks youth, schools.

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ranking minority member, also urged Cmdr Gleason to press hard for improvements in the nation's veterans program which the Legion seeks, although other members were non-committal on the chances of such legislation in 1958. Cmdr Gleason and McCurdy had asked specifically for pension improvements; the reopening of NSLI insurance to WW2 and Korean veterans for a short period; and resuscitation of the GI home loan program.

House Committee members told the Legion spokesmen that they too were "deeply concerned" with the roadblocks thrown in the path of the Veterans Administration by the Budget Bureau, especially as it involves the cutting back of hospital budget items and delays of hospital construction and remodeling for which appropriations had already been made.

Concern over patients on the VA waiting list for whom there are no beds in operation, and over new VA hospital-bed closings due to the proposed 1958-59 budget, was mutually expressed by the Legionnaires and the Congressmen.

Review Harmful

There was mutual agreement between the Legion and the House Committee again over two specific aspects of the current Veterans Administration review of awards to the war-disabled.

The review has resulted in the reduction of compensation to several thousand veterans, and the elimination of service-connection entirely for many others.

Basis of the review is "clear and unmistakable error" by the VA in making some compensation awards in the past.

The Legion leaders and the Congressmen agreed that in some of these cases awards had been cut or cut out on the basis of opinion rather than a showing of error.

It was further noted that the atmosphere of the review is affecting the attitude of VA rating boards in making their current decisions on veterans' claims. Apparently to avoid a reversal of their present work by another review in the future, some of the boards are no longer giving veterans the benefit of a doubt as stipulated by law.

The closing of existing VA hospital beds, and the lack of initiative by the Administration in meeting needs in areas where VA bed shortages are extremely critical, came in for sharp criticism throughout the week-long meetings.

Florida, southern California, southern Texas, New York, New Orleans and

St. Louis are among those areas, Gleason noted.

Especially criticized was the scheduled closing of more than 1,000 VA tuberculosis beds as a result of the President's budget message for the next fiscal year.

It takes so long to close down the beds that the Veterans Administration, anticipating the new budget, expects to start closing them down by the first of April, even though the reduced budget has not yet been approved. Meanwhile the incidence of tuberculosis among veterans is increasing again, it was reported.

Both Nat'l Cmdr Gleason and McCurdy were extremely critical of the leaking of rumors that the President would ask Congress to curtail veterans' monetary benefits in line with the Bradley Commission and Budget Bureau thinking. Nothing had yet come of these reports, which had been (1) widely circulated in the press as coming from unidentified sources within the Administration, and (2) hinted at in past messages of both the President and the Director of the Budget.

Said Gleason to the House Committee: "The manner of handling these recommendations has not been forthright . . . it would seem that the group most concerned should not have been kept in doubt," nor should the Veterans Administration, he added.

McCurdy assailed the persistent rumors as a "cold war on veterans" which he described as highly damaging to the morale of the country's disabled veterans and veterans' widows.

Unemployment

Highlight of the week's events was the annual Rehabilitation Dinner in the Statler Hotel's huge Presidential Room. In a major address to the dinner, Cmdr Gleason reviewed the matters outlined above and went on to stress the gravity to the nation's veterans of the growing unemployment in the country.

Cmdr Gleason, looking fit and minus his wheel-chair and cane following his release from a second hospitalization for phlebitis on Feb. 4, said:

"Tonight there are nearly one million veterans in desperate need of jobs." Joblessness, he said, is a more demoralizing ordeal than battle. It makes a veteran helpless and injures his family and loved ones.

Legionnaires as individuals, and Legion posts "must try to find jobs wherever possible for unemployed veterans in our communities," he said.

We must "intensify the interest and effort of government agencies and civic organizations to lick unemployment. . .

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BRIEFLY NOTED

Buying a gift for a Legionnaire? The Legion's nat'l Emblem Division mail order catalog for 1958 is loaded with gifts bearing the Legion emblem. If your post lacks catalog, write Emblem Division, American Legion Nat'l Hq., P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind.

New Jersey's 4th annual American Legion College, offering advanced study of the Legion, its workings and programs, set for May 16-18 at Fort Dix, N. J.

Honorable discharge (or copy of it) lost by Marion O'Steen of Florida on a New Jersey highway has been found and sent to Adj't General, Dep't of the Army, Washington 25, D.C., where he can write for it.

Recent surveys indicate there are 6,000 tubercular war veterans and 25,000 war veteran mental patients being treated in non-VA hospitals. Few of them lack eligibility for VA care. Many are in state institutions with non-veteran waiting lists.

Members of Alonzo Cudworth Post 23, Milwaukee, Wis., proud that Wisconsin Dep't Cmdr William J. Haese is the 4th member of the post to head the Wisconsin Legion, regret that we identified him as a member of Post 32 in our December issue — and so do we.

Nat'l Cmdr Gleason asks all posts to "undertake whatever local action is feasible to support the fund drive of the Crusade for Freedom." Funds support Radio Free Europe broadcasts beamed behind the iron curtain.

An instructive play called "Which Way Out?", dealing with the emotional problems of teen-agers, has been written by the Nat'l Ass'n for Mental Health under a grant from The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Script available for production. Write: Child Welfare, American Legion Nat'l Hq., P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind.

Four \$1500 scholarships will be given by the Legion Dep't of Illinois in an essay contest among pupils who have won American Legion School Medal Awards or honorable mention certificates.

April 27-May 3 is nat'l Mental Health Week.

245 corporations invited schoolkids to their plants to see science at work on Feb. 11. It was the birthday of the late inventor, Thomas Alva Edison.

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If this isn't enough, then we must trigger into action the full resources of the government to end the mounting despair of joblessness."

If it is "necessary to create work, then this must be done. If it is done, it must not only provide work, but be of lasting benefit to the nation as well." If the government would proceed with the needed VA hospital construction, that would be one useful source of employment in the building trades, he noted.

Kraabel Honored

Part of the Rehabilitation Dinner program was reserved for a surprise testimonial to T. O. Kraabel, of North Dakota, the American Legion's second Nat'l Rehabilitation Director who retired from that office this winter.

Past Nat'l Cmdr Lynn Stambaugh, of North Dakota, summoned Kraabel to the head table and presented him with a huge engraved sterling silver service purchased by contributions from his many friends in and out of The American Legion.

North Dakota Adjutant Jack Williams then advised Kraabel that his friends had over subscribed the purchase of the gift by a considerable amount and handed him a check for \$3000.

When he had overcome his surprise, Kraabel managed to say that he was "overwhelmed"—and added that veterans' service was a way of life, and, though he was retired, he'd stay with it.

1958 CONVENTION:

Readying for Rush

The biggest demand for hotel rooms in the history of American Legion nat'l conventions looms likely for this year's convention in Chicago, Sept. 1-4, opines Miss Edith Shuttles, nat'l Convention Co-ordinator and chief worrier about hotel reservations.

Convention-goers should request their housing early, through their Dep't Adjutants, Miss Shuttles advises, "and don't forget the \$3 registration fee," she adds.

Only one nat'l convention has been held away from the seacoasts since WW2, and with the 1958 gathering set for the midwest's biggest city, the concentration of Legionnaires in Chicago threatens to be in the old-time tradition.

Following advance meetings of committees and commissions, the Convention will tee off with the big parade on Labor Day, Sept. 1, in a multi-million population city that hasn't seen the big American Legion spectacle in seventeen years.

Convention planning, which got up steam in February after a tragic setback, is shaping up fast.

Set-back came when Phil Collins, President and Chmn of the Board of the Convention Corporation, died suddenly in February. Collins, long a hard worker in Legion harness in Illinois, was an excellent choice for the job. The Convention Corporation will maintain him in his convention offices posthumously.

Collins' duties will be carried out by Executive Vice President Harold A. Cummins, Past Dep't Cmdr of Illinois, backstopped by Vice Chairman James P. Ringley, and Vice President Perce Brautigam, Past Nat'l Executive Committeeman.

Other officials of the Convention Corporation, which has opened offices at 8 South Dearborn St., Chicago, are: General Counsel and Ass't Sect'y, Albert J. Jantoni; Treasurer, Maynard K. Hillstrom; Ass't Treasurer Albin V. Gustafson.

Nat'l Hq hotel during the Convention will be the Palmer House. Auxiliary Nat'l Hq hotel will be the Conrad Hilton.

COMING EVENTS:

Plan now for these dates:

Armed Forces Day: Military establishments hold open house for visitors, May 10-18.

Memorial Day: May 30. Poppy sales. Decoration of graves of deceased veterans. Big turnout for marching to cemeteries.

Flag Day: June 14. Everybody display the flag. Collect old, worn flags for ceremonial disposal this day.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

Fred Coulman (1951) and **Phil Katz** (1958), Post 1, San Francisco, Calif.

J. F. Ahern (1949), Post 29, Martinez, Calif.

Henry L. Ewald and **Robert J. Moore** (both 1957) Post 49, Santa Barbara, Calif.

E. Ray Horton (1957), Post 274, Arcata, Calif.

W. Lewis Miller (1958), Post 531, Los Angeles, Calif.

M. D. Melchi and **William J. Murray** and **Louis G. Mullings** and **Frank E. Owenby** (all 1957), Post 113, Alamosa, Colo.

Leslie I. Keller and **Leigh J. Pulver** (both 1957), Post 34, Milford, Conn.

Umberto Righetti (1949) and **Edward J. Rivers** (1951) and **Richard E. Stanton** (1955), Post 36, Windsor Locks, Conn.

William C. Moore (1957), Post 1, Paris, France.

Andrew Perrier (1957), Post 47, Chicago, Ill.

Randall P. Dunn (1956), Post 169, Eldorado, Ill.

Richard E. Moberly (1957), Post 359, Chicago, Ill.

Stanley Thompson (1954) and **William J. Halligan, Sr.** (1957), Post 941, Chicago, Ill.

Stanley Lobodzinski and **Joseph Nowak** and **Alex Pawlowski** and **Joseph Rakowski, Sr.** (all 1956), Post 78, East Chicago, Ind.

Stanley Olszewski (1955) and **Ben Smolenski** (1956) and **Edward Losiniecki** (1957), Post 451, Michigan City, Ind.

John N. Specht (1957), Post 230, Cherokee,

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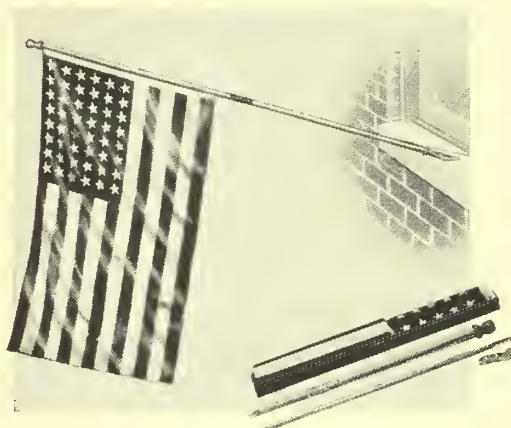
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Iowa.
Paul G. Grinapp (1957), Post 311, Hopkinton, Iowa.

J. Nelson Tribby (1956) and Michael F. Bonadio (1957), Post 27, Baltimore, Md.
George A. Markland (1957), Post 139, Baltimore, Md.

James Maltanaphy and Thomas Tempesta (both 1958), Post 17, Brighton, Mass.

William L. Hallett, Sr. (1943) and John S. Mara (1947) and Dewey D. Stone (1951), Post 35, Brockton, Mass.

Daniel W. L. Keefe (1957), Post 74, Farmington, Mass.

Orrin Cleary and Patrick Corbett and Henry Dunas and Joseph Greenwood (all 1957), Post 123, Ware, Mass.

James Kerr (1954) and Alfred M. Gilden (1955), Post 160, Adams, Mass.

Claude M. Casteel (1953), Post 216, Milford, Mich.

Thomas St. Charles (1957), Post 227, East Jordan, Mich.

Al Traxler (1958), Post 108, Le Center, Minn.

Hugo Goss (1958), Post 300, St. Louis, Mo.

Henry H. Dudley (1957), Post 1, Omaha, Nebr. Casimir Zacek (1956), Post 70, West Point, Nebr.

James List (1950) and Leonard C. Waldenherger (1956) and Charles D. Enigh (1957), Post 91, Wharton, N. J.

W. Sidney Duguid (1958), Post 293, Warren Township, N. J.

William F. Byrnes and Hubert J. Dorsey and George Holliday (all 1954), Post 9, New York, N. Y.

Melvin Smith (1957), Post 47, Valatie, N. Y.

John L. Nash (1956) and William McDowell (1957), Post 189, Norwich, N. Y.

Ferris Hagadorn (1957), Post 248, Middleburgh, N. Y.

Hugh McLean and Ralph Rockefeller (both 1957), Post 346, Germantown, N. Y.

George Marz (1950) and Thomas Darling and Lawrence McSherry and Solomon Wolff (all 1951), Post 543, Brooklyn, N. Y.

George Enos (1953) and John M. Watson (1955) and Robert B. Frazier, Sr. (1956) and B. Earl Phelps (1957), Post 655, Cuba, N. Y.

Frank S. Forster and Mark M. Calak (both 1957), Post 665, Buffalo, N. Y.

George Trapani (1956) and James Wiseman (1957), Post 951, Ozone Park, N. Y.

John D. Cameron and William P. Henry (both 1957), Post 1148, Sunnyside, N. Y.

George Rebhan (1947), Post 1226, New York, N. Y.

Olive A. Warren (1958), Post 1487, Uniondale, N. Y.

Peter J. Huhert (1957), Post 2, East Pittsburgh, Pa.

C. A. Barrett and E. A. Balmer and E. W. Marshall and Tice Ryan, (all 1953), Post 5, Pittsburgh, Pa.

J. Herbert Kennedy and Elmer Kross, Sr. and Harry R. Motter and Joseph A. Tritschler (all 1957), Post 19, New Brighton, Pa.

John H. Moody (1952) and Frank H. Davies (1953) and Oscar N. Tingley (1954) and J. Hugh McNeill (1955), Post 27, Harrisburg, Pa.

Roy Schlaseman and Herman T. Thomas and Rev. Emil W. Weher and Sol Weiss (all 1950), Post 67, Pottsville, Pa.

John G. Dempsey and Joseph Silkowski (both 1948) and William C. Becker and Dr. I. D. Fenton (both 1950), Post 74, Mahanoy City, Pa.

Edward W. Miller and Ambrose S. Plummer and Walter T. Shaffer (all 1957), Post 329, Elizabethtown, Pa.

Andrew T. F. Nowak (1950) and William E. Hill (1954), Post 333, Philadelphia, Pa.

Clyde E. Rankin, Sr. (1947) and George Keller (1957) and Dennis M. Swank (1958), Post 366, Philadelphia, Pa.

Patsy Longo and Leroy Miller and William Phelps and Leroy Rossar and Robert E. Smith (all 1955), Post 675, Scranton, Pa.

John W. Buggy (1957), Post 832, Philadelphia, Pa.

Alexander Winning (1951) and Dr. John W. Burkett and Arthur Pounder (both 1956) and Anthony Pintar (1957), Post 862, Moon Run, Pa.

Warren G. Moore (1953), Post 12, Tyler, Tex.

Wilmer L. O'Flaherty (1957), Post 38, Richmond, Va.

August T. Cooper (1956) and Frank A. Love (1957), Post 6, Stevens Point, Wis.

Albert F. Cummings and John A. Meyer (both 1956), Post 33, Neenah, Wis.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships." The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York 19, N. Y. Date of award is requested in all cases.

COMRADES
IN DISTRESS

Space does not permit notices to contact persons for any purpose except to assist in establishing a claim for a veteran or his dependents. Statement to that effect should accompany notice.

Send notices to: **Comrades in Distress, The American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, New York.**

Army

Fort Snelling, Minn. (WW2)—At about 10:30 p.m., on Mar. 14, 1942, I was severely injured when I fell while running for the "dummy" streetcar line. Now need to locate the two officers who picked me up and assisted me. Write me, **Albert J. LaMore, 26, W. Grant St., Minneapolis, Minn.** Claim pending.

Navy

Bainbridge, Md., Hospital Corps School—My hip was injured when I fell in Sept. 1944 while attending this school. Now need to locate anyone who remembers this incident. Write me, (former S 2c) **Alfred D. Audet, Sr., 6 Leslie Ave., West Barrington, R. I.**

PC-593 (1942-44)—I served aboard this ship as a gunner's mate and gun captain. When I was serving as a gun captain during an attack on a submarine, a hang-fire occurred on one of the racks. While I was getting rid of the charge, I fell with it and injured my back. Three of the five officers aboard, as well as the majority of the crew, saw this incident happen. Now need to locate someone who remembers it. Write me, **David Rosnick, 32 Staub Road, Trucksville, Pa.**

USS Denver (WW1)—While shoveling coal during a trip to South America, I suffered a back injury. Now need to locate anyone who served with me in 1918-19, especially: Chief Water Tender "Andy" Anderson; Chief Water Tender "Smoky" Fawcett; and Ralph "Ginger" Jacobs, Log Room Yeoman. Write me, **T. L. Roach, 4620 Central Ave., St. Petersburg, Fla.**

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

LESTER R. BENSTON, longtime director of rehabilitation for the Dep't of Illinois, will retire June 1.

WILBUR WALKER, Ass't Nat'l Sgt. at Arms for the 39th Legion Nat'l Convention, appointed administrative ass't to Governor Almond of Virginia.

WILLIAM S. CAMPBELL, Idaho's representative on The American Legion Rehabilitation Commission, named the Outstanding Young Man of 1957 by the Boise, Idaho, Junior Chamber of Commerce.

PETER E. PAPPAS, Dep't Historian of Massachusetts, appointed a military aide on the staff of Governor Furcolo of Massachusetts.

J. JOSEPH NUGENT, member of Post 35, Providence, R.I., is the new Attorney General of Rhode Island.

SAM MASSELL, JR., member of Post 1, Atlanta, Ga., named Atlanta's Outstanding Young Man of the Year for 1957 by the Atlanta Junior Chamber of Commerce.

FRANK J. CALCAGNI, Dep't Americanism Chmn of Rhode Island, elected to receive the brotherhood award of the Nat'l Conference of Christians and Jews in Cranston, R.I. He was also chosen chmn of the City of Cranston's Industrial Development Commission.

JACK HAVEY, member of the staff of The American Legion Public Relations

Div., resigned to join the State of Maine's Dep't of Economic Development.

Died:

STEWART W. HELLMAN, Judge Advocate of the Dep't of Texas; of a heart attack; in Fort Worth.

DR. ROBERT B. HARKNESS, Past Dep't Cmdr of Michigan (1922-23); in Philadelphia, Pa.

J. DEAN SPENCER, longtime chmn of the Connecticut Boys state; in Boston, Mass.

CHARLES R. HOWE, Past Dep't Cmdr of Idaho (1947-48); suddenly; in Alhambra, Calif.

MRS. VERA GRIMM, longtime (1923-57) librarian of The American Legion; following a heart attack; in Munster, Ind.

PHILIP W. COLLINS (Ill.), president of the 1958 American Legion Convention Corporation and one of the nation's top insurance executives; in Chicago.

COL. GEORGE COLBY PARSONS, who attended the Paris Caucus; in St. Petersburg, Fla.

DWIGHT H. GREEN, member of The American Legion Distinguished Guests Committee, and former Governor of Illinois.

OUTFIT
REUNIONS

Send notices to: **Outfit Reunions, The American Legion Magazine, 720 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, New York.**

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars, write person whose address is given.

Army

4th Div.—(Aug.) George McIntyre, 330 Commonwealth Ave., Trenton 9, N. J.

6th Engrs (WW1)—(Aug.) Eric A. Scott, Elrico Gardens, R.D. 5, Fort Wayne, Ind.

21st Engrs, Co D & 2nd Bn—(June) George Hecker, Jr., 307 Susquehanna Ave., Lansdale, Pa.

21st Engrs, Light Ry (WW1)—(Sept.) J. H. Brooks, 1217 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind.

30th Div.—(July) Maj. Saul Solow, 42 Parkway Drive, Hicksville, N. Y.

30th Inf (WW1)—(Apr.) John C. Cattus, 190 Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y.

34th Engrs (WW1)—(Aug.-Sept.) George Remple, 2523 N. Main St., Dayton 5, Ohio.

56th-603rd Engrs (WW1)—(June) Louis Nechler, Mechanicsville, Iowa.

61st Engrs (WW1)—(Oct.) Lee Brannen, 413 Lindsey St., Hollidaysburg, Pa.

62nd Sig Bn, Co C—(Aug.) William L. Hancks, 2245 31st St., Rock Island, Ill.

70th Tank Bn—(July) Richard N. Wagman, 222 Springdale Ave., York, Pa.

80th Div.—(Aug.) R. L. Stultz, 155 N. Main St., Harrisonburg, Va.

88th Div.—(Aug.) John Black, P.O. Box 175, Finleyville, Pa.

91st Div.—(Sept.) B. K. Powell, 1024 Vance Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

94th AAA AW Bn (SP)—(June) Glenn R. Hawley, Box 431, Davenport, Wash.

94th Div.—(July) Paul R. O'Brien, 1744 Oakmont Road, South Euclid 21, Ohio.

102nd Div.—(July) Earl F. Hooper, P.O. Box 452, Port Washington, N. Y.

103rd Inf.—(May) George R. Caswell, 20 Crosby St., Augusta, Maine.

105th Inf, Co G (WW2)—(May) Phil Di Leo, 11 Francis Terrace, Glen Cove, N. Y.

125th Inf.—(July) Col. Bob McCall, c/o Postmaster, Owosso, Mich.

131st AAA Gun Bn—(June) Melvin Wilson, Central City, Pa.

140th Inf, Co F (WW1)—(Sept.) Enos L. Trusdell, 4544 Terrace St., Kansas City, Mo.

143rd Inf—(Aug.-Sept.) Archie H. McDugal, 4028 Homan Ave., Waco, Tex.
 163rd Inf—(June) Gene L. Adams, 310 Grand Ave., McHenry, Ill.
 217th CA (AA), Btry C (WW2)—(June) Herman N. Anderson, 416 Lincoln Ave. E., Alexandria, Minn.
 301st Supply Train (WW1)—(May) Leroy F. Merritt, 38 Winthrop St., Brockton 48, Mass.
 302nd Inf, Co L—(June) Raymond Fulkerson, 511 Hillcrest Ave., New Castle, Pa.
 305th FA — (Apr.) Thomas Carbone, 28 E. 39th St., New York 16, N. Y.
 307th Abn Engr Bn—(July) Lt. Spike Lynch, Chicago Fire Dept., City Hall, Chicago, Ill.
 307th Inf, Co M (WW1)—(Apr.) Harry Ringen, 28 E. 49th St., New York, N. Y.
 308th Inf, Co I (AEF)—(May) Jerome Steinhardt, 2425 Kings Highway, Brooklyn 29, N. Y.
 308th MG Bn, Co D (WW1) — (May) John E. Brophy, 8803 104th St., Richmond Hill, N. Y.
 313th Ammunition Train, Co D (WW1)—(June) Mrs. Clark Harris, Idana, Kans.
 314th Inf (WW2)—(July) John Mullaney, 4907 N. Idlewild Ave., Milwaukee 17, Wis.
 331st Inf, Co I (WW2)—(June) Fred Kiger, R.D. 1, Rural Hall, N. C.
 349th Ambulance Co (WW1)—(June) E. F. Sweeney, 318 Adams St., Denver, Colo.
 464th MPEG Co—(Apr.) Raymond McMullen, 41 Bloomfield Place, Rochester 20, N. Y.
 474th AAA Bn—(May) Thomas E. Hunt, 4113 Shepherd St., Cottage City, Md.
 556th Engr Hvy Pontoon Bn—(Aug.) John Allen, 3923 W. 62nd St., Chicago 29, Ill.
 557th AAA AW Bn—(May) Galen B. Sheldon, 18 Euclid Ave., Summit, N. J.
 596th Sig Aircraft Warning Bn, Co C (formerly

715th SAW Co and 583rd SAW Bn, Co C)—(July) Charles Swoboda, 2927 A Wyoming, St. Louis 18, Mo.
 630th AAA Bn—(July) W. F. Carter, Jr., 4 Edison St., Tiffin, Ohio.
 630th TD Bn, Recon Co—(June) William J. Brock, Rear 202 Bruce St., McKees Rocks, Pa.
 636th TD Bn, Recon Co—(Aug.) Howard Waggoner, Papillion, Nebr.
 729th Ry Operating Bn—(Aug.) A. H. Colello, 1426 First Ave., Altoona, Pa.
 737th Tank Bn—(Aug.) Tilden Holloway, Hildebran, N. C.
 761st FA Bn (WW2)—(Aug.) W. L. Stevenson, Box 504, R.D. 1, Charleroi, Pa.
 967th FA Bn and 228th & 176th FA Regts—(May) F. A. Donatelli, 56 Holly Blvd., Hampton Lakes, Vincentown, N. J.
 Camp Lee, Va., 10th Regt, Co B (1942)—(July) Louis Tronco, 709 Elmer St., Vineland, N. J.
 Fort Dix, Officers who served at any time from 1940 through WW2—(Apr.) Lt. Col. Fred A. Yoos, 330 Galloping Hill Road, Roselle Park, N. J.
 Tank Corps (WW1) — (Apr.) John J. Conlon, 9811 Queens Blvd., Forest Hills 74, N. Y.
 US Army Antihulance Service Assn—(July) Horace Woad, 141 Church St., Milton 86, Mass.
Navy
 6th Marines, 97th Co (AEF)—(June) William M. Rasmussen, 6142 W. North Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.
 30th Seabees—(May) Charles Eirkson, Jr., 3350 McRoberts Road, Pittsburgh 34, Pa.
 37th Seabees—(June) Johnnie Rossetter, Box 89, Point, Tex.
 58th Seabees (WW2)—(July) Harry T. Feby, 2834

Devereaux St., Philadelphia 49, Pa.
 60th Seabees—(Aug.) Mrs. William Meltzer, R.D. 2, Lincoln Park, Alliance, Ohio.
 110th Seabees—(Aug.-Sept.) James F. Groome, 210 Bradford Ave., Downingtown, Pa.
 SAGO (U. S. Naval Group China)—(Aug.) Gus Bruggemann, 159 Highview St., Mamaroneck, N. Y.
 Submarine Vets—(Sept.) P. A. Bogert, 2437 N. Rockwell St., Chicago 47, Ill.
 U.S. Marine Raider Assn—(Army and Navy personnel who served with either of the original four Raider Bns invited) (Aug.) Brooks Powers, Room 225, Hotel Washington, Indianapolis 6, Ind.
 USS Ancon (WW2)—(May-June) Henry R. Spaventa, 6376 Martins Mill Road, Philadelphia 11, Pa.
 USS Hornet (CV-8 & CV-12)—(June) Thomas F. Laub, 158 Sheffield St., Bellevue, Ohio.
 USS Lexington—(May) Roy F. Nelson, 6164 Nelson St., San Diego 15, Calif.
 USS President Lincoln—(May) Harvey D. Carter, 12 E. 44th St., New York 17, N. Y.

Air

50th Aero Sqdn (WW1)—(Oct.) J. P. O'Connor, 5901 Eighth St. S., St. Petersburg, Fla.
 351st Aero Sqdn (WW1)—(June) Frank Germer, 121 Barbara St., Mount Joy, Pa.
 385th Bomb Group—(Aug.) R. G. Weikert, 719 Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Indianapolis 4, Ind.
 832nd Avn Engr Bn—(July) John Wojdyla, 8729 S. Justine St., Chicago 20, Ill.
 1896th Avn Engr Bn—(June) Lester Sealy, 14 High St., Natick, Mass.

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AMERICA'S MOST UNUSUAL WAR TROPHY

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the end of World War II began in Hamburg, Germany. There in June 1940 the keel of the *U-505* was laid. A little more than a year and a half later the sub joined the "wolfpacks" which were sinking shipping at a rate which threatened to bring defeat to the Allies.

The war ended for the *U-505*, however, on June 4, 1944, off the west coast of Africa when a command rang out which had not been heard aboard a U.S. man-of-war since 1815. The order — "Away all boarding parties" — was the climax of the brief but violent engagement between a U.S. Navy task group under the command of then Captain Daniel V. Gallery and the *U-505*.

At 11:09 a.m. Task Group 22.3, consisting of the escort carrier *Guadalcanal* and five destroyer escorts (*Pillsbury*, *Pope*, *Flaherty*, *Chatelain*, and *Jenks*), was proceeding toward the Canary Islands, a known U-boat rendezvous area.

Although the primary mission of "hunter-killer" groups such as this one was to seek out and destroy enemy submarines, Captain Gallery had, from the early days of the war, considered the idea of capturing a U-boat intact. A close study of German submarine tactics led him to a daring but carefully worked-out plan which the group he commanded was to execute at the first opportunity.

On the bright Sunday morning when the *Chatelain* reported a sonar contact, the long-awaited chance to capture a submarine was at hand. As the *Chatelain* commenced her attack, the carrier launched two fighter planes. The fighters spotted the submerged U-boat and fired their machineguns into the water to mark its position.

The destroyer escort's depth charges hit their target, and the planes reported that they could see oil slicks and the submarine beginning to surface.

As the submarine came to the surface, the *Chatelain*, together with the *Pillsbury*, *Jenks*, and two fighter planes, began the first phase of Captain Gallery's scheme. Instead of attacking with armor-piercing shells and bombs, the attacking force fired light weapons intended only to keep the U-boat crew from manning its deck guns. The captain of the sub, believing his ship to be sinking, had surfaced to let the crew escape. As the hail of gunfire swept the sub's deck, the crew jumped overboard into the sea.

The *Pillsbury's* boarding party of eight men under the command of Lieutenant Albert L. David climbed aboard the still moving sub. When they went down the hatch from the conning tower, they found an abandoned but sinking vessel. Water was gushing into the hold through an opened 8-inch sea strainer which

had been designed to scuttle the ship.

While Motor Machinist's Mate First Class Zenon B. Lukosius found and secured the cover of the strainer, Lieutenant David and the other men were picking up the code book and other documents and passing them up to be placed in their whaleboat in case the sub should sink under them. Then a search began for booby traps.

The engines were shut down, but when the sub settled dangerously low in the water they were hastily re-set to run at top speed. It became obvious that if the *U-505* were to be kept afloat she



"You'd better go before he comes to the total, sonny!"

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would have to be towed. The *Pillsbury* came alongside only to have her thin side cut open by the sub's hydroplane.

A second boarding party — this one from the *Guadalcanal* under the command of Commander Earl Trosino — came aboard and completed temporary salvage measures. The carrier took the sub in tow, and as she moved ahead the sub rose sluggishly from the water. Meanwhile the other destroyer escorts picked up the crew of the submarine who were floating in the water nearby.

Orders from the Navy Department directed the task group to take the submarine to Bermuda, 1,700 miles away. Proceeding at reduced speed because of the towing operation, and with fuel running low, the group began its voyage. Three days later it was met by a fleet tug which took over the towing, and a tanker which supplied badly needed fuel.

The prize which Task Group 22.3 brought into Port Royal Bay, Bermuda, on June 19 was one of the most valued of the war. It gave the Allies the radio code used by the Germans in their U-

boat operations and the secret of a new type of torpedo being used on German subs.

To preserve the value of the heroic capture, the sub's crew was interned in Bermuda for the duration of the war, and the crews of the U.S. ships were sworn to secrecy. Because the Germans assumed the sub had been sunk — not captured — they did not change their code. This allowed the Allies the opportunity to eavesdrop on their operations for the duration of the war.

Not until the war had ended was the story of the capture told. Then the *U-505* went on a tour of Eastern seaports to call attention to a war bond subscription drive. Later she was sent to the Navy yard at Portsmouth, N.H., to await her end.

Father John Gallery, of Chicago, brother of the *U-505's* captor, now a Rear Admiral, came up with the suggestion that the *U-505* be saved from the fate of becoming scrap iron and instead be made into a memorial to the Nation's seamen. The job of bringing the sub to its final home in Chicago proved to be almost as monumental a task as its capture.

It took an Act of Congress to secure the title, the enthusiastic cooperation of several hundred Chicago individuals and businesses to raise the more than \$250,000 needed to move the sub, and a month-long, 3,000-mile towing operation through the St. Lawrence Seaway and Great Lakes.

And finally, on June 26, 1954, the last stage of the voyage began — an 800-foot trip overland from Lake Michigan to Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry.

The job of moving the 1,000-ton vessel, which is 252 feet long and three stories high, was directed by Seth M. Gooder, a retired Chicago engineer who had nearly 40 years' experience in moving buildings. Gooder volunteered to help in the final phase of getting the sub to its last berth.

The use of a floating drydock was obtained, and a 325-foot channel was dug to accommodate it. The sub was floated into the drydock and onto a cradle constructed for it. Then the floating dock was raised to bring it level with the track waiting for it on shore. Once ashore, it was pulled slowly by a winch. Finally, on the night of September 3, the sub reached its last major hurdle.

More than 15,000 people assembled to watch as the sub was pulled slowly across Chicago's famous Outer Drive — the boulevard extending along the Lake Michigan shore front. The ticklish operation, which had taken many weeks of calculations, was completed by 4:15

a.m. on the morning of September 4.

The submarine was slowly swung sideways into position over its permanent foundations and then lowered into the three concrete cradles which now hold it.

On September 25, 1954, the *U-505* was formally dedicated as a memorial to the 55,000 Americans who had perished at sea in two World Wars. Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey delivered the dedication address. Rear Admiral Daniel V. Gallery introduced the members of the original boarding party who participated in the capture, and paid tribute to the 3,000 men in the task force who had also shared in the operation.

Since that time more than 2,000,000 visitors have gone through the ship. Members of the museum staff have worked for more than three and a half years to restore the submarine to its original condition. The chief demonstrator of the exhibit, Dick Freitag, is a former Electrician's Mate Second Class in the U.S. Navy. In World War II he served in our own submarine service aboard the U.S.S. *Blueback*. He and other members of the museum staff have almost completely restored the *U-505*. They have been assisted by former German submarine men who now live in the Chicago area and by the West German Government.

Visitors have included former German submarine sailors who have found the restoration so accurate that they

SUB WARFARE

Readers interested in a more detailed story of the operations of the German U-boat fleet in World War II will find it in Rear Admiral Daniel V. Gallery's book *Twenty Million Tons Under The Sea* (Regnery, \$5.00).

Based on captured German records and our own intelligence reports, Admiral Gallery's book describes the desperate battle for the Atlantic Ocean waged by the wolf-packs and particularly the part played by the *U-505*.

A newly released, dramatic motion picture—*Run Silent, Run Deep*—tells the story of the U. S. Navy's submarine operations in the Pacific Ocean in World War II. Starring Clark Gable and Burt Lancaster, the United Artists film is based on Commander Edward L. Beach's best-selling book of the same title.

have gone to their old positions and said, "This is where I worked."

Correspondence with former commanding officers of the *U-505* now living in Germany and technical advice from the German Navy and our own submarine personnel have insured that every detail is correct.

Recently the first commanding officer, Captain Axel Loewe, visited his former command and spent two and a half days going through the ship.

A description of the *U-505* as a living memorial is an apt one. The labor of love in restoring the ship has been so complete that the two powerful diesel engines which powered the sub originally are in operating condition and once each week are run up to keep them in good working order.

The unique memorial has attracted some internationally famous people including Prince Louis Ferdinand, oldest grandson of Kaiser Wilhelm; Prime Minister Nehru of India; and former Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov.

Legionnaires will have an opportunity to see the *U-505* when they attend the National Convention in Chicago next September. Fleet Admiral William Halsey's remarks at the dedication serve as a fitting reason for them to visit the exhibit:

"The *U-505* will always serve as a reminder of a godless way of life that puts might over right and makes its citizens slaves of the state. As a permanent exhibit at the Museum it will always remind the world that Americans pray for peace and hate to fight, but we believe in our way of life and are willing and capable of defending ourselves against any aggressors."

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in the spiritual rehabilitation of the Japanese Orthodox Church and to aid in its organization and administration."

What could be more commendable? However, two questions came to my mind: (1) What is the Japanese Orthodox Church? (2) What is behind Moscow's interest?

I had attended services in the St. Nicholas Cathedral in Tokyo. It was a very large and beautiful edifice in the Byzantine style, constructed in the early 1930's. The churchgoers were either Japanese nationals or Russian *émigrés* who fled Russia in the 1920's after the communists seized power. A few members of the occupation forces also attended.

To answer the first question, my office conducted a study of the Japanese Orthodox Church with the following results:

The church was established in the latter half of the 18th century by Russian missionaries who came to Japan through Siberia, Kamchatka, and the Kurile Islands. With the advent of Bolshevism in Russia, the church severed its tie with Moscow.

In 1946 there were 200 Orthodox religious communities with a membership of more than 40,000 scattered throughout Japan. All the clergy were Japanese.

(In recent years the only cleric of Russian background was the head of the church, Archbishop Sergi, who had died under alleged mysterious circumstances a short time before the U. S. Army entered Japan.) The services and the chanting of the choir were in Japanese.

I contacted two members of the Church Consistory (administrative body). One, who had attended a theological seminary in Moscow in 1914, spoke Russian; the other spoke English. We carried on a trilingual conversation.

"Our church is in pretty bad shape," said the first Japanese. "We lost our bishop, the church is without funds, and we need guidance and support in getting back on our feet."

The other added, "Mr. X, a well-to-do Russian businessman, told us that the Moscow Patriarch heard of our plight and is ready to send a bishop from Moscow to head our church and to assist us financially. We prepared a petition to the Patriarch asking his assistance, and gave it to Mr. X who told us he could get it to the Patriarch."

These people did not know that Mr. X was a leading local Soviet agent whose primary mission was to infiltrate and undermine the Russian community.

The first man added, "You can see

that it was difficult to refuse the kind offer of Moscow. Again we will have a bishop to train and ordain our priests and, above all, we shall have financial support which we need badly."

I told these men that many changes had taken place in the world of Eastern Orthodoxy. They were very interested and very impressed.

The Japanese had no way of knowing that although religion was persecuted in the U.S.S.R., the Soviet Government, through the Patriarch of Moscow, was making every effort to bring into the fold the Orthodox churches outside Russia. I knew this because it was my good fortune to assist my father, the late Metropolitan Theophilus, then the head of the Russian Orthodox Church of America, in his successful effort to defeat similar Soviet moves in the Western Hemisphere.

The picture became clear to me. The Soviet group, realizing the tremendous advantages the control of the church would give it, had contacted the church officials, through Russian *émigrés* who were supporting Soviet interests. The Soviets certainly had no intention of assisting the Japanese Orthodox Church. What then was Moscow's interest?

The communist plan was simple and sinister. Moscow wanted to gain control of the church and use it as a cover for operations in Japan. The two bishops — no doubt trained by or at best subservient to the Communist Party, if not actual members — accompanied by a "secretary" who was an MVD agent, would take over the Japanese Orthodox Church. Later, those Japanese priests who fell in line would retain their parishes, while those who opposed Moscow's schemes would be dismissed. Future candidates for the clergy would be sent to Moscow to "study." Later Russian priests would arrive to "administer to the spiritual needs" of the parishioners of Russian descent and to provide "guidance" for them. Thus, about 200 well-trained Moscow agents could be placed in parishes. What a readymade network for Moscow!

In subsequent meetings with the church officials I described in detail the status of the church in America, Moscow's efforts to gain control, and the visits to New York by the Moscow delegation (which, much like the one proposed for Japan, consisted of a bishop and a "secretary"). I also told them of Moscow's failure in America. This encouraged the Japanese. They asked if I thought Metropolitan Theophilus would give them the needed assistance, and I assured them that he would.

"You see, my friends," I told them, "it is only logical that the American Orthodox Church should help the Jap-



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anese Orthodox Church just as other churches of America are assisting their sister churches of Japan, and just as the American people represented by the Occupation Forces are assisting Japan and the Japanese people in rebuilding the nation."

As a result of our discussion, the Japanese realized that by associating with Moscow they would give up their independence.

One Sunday in the fall of 1946 representatives of all the parishes met and resolved to ask Metropolitan Theophilus for the needed assistance. An appeal was prepared to the Metropolitan and was forwarded by mail. However, a copy of the request was furnished me and was in turn forwarded by me to my father, with a full explanation of the situation and with an insistent request that he be prepared to act favorably in order to prevent the Soviets from getting this very important foothold in Japan.

The Soviets had been making persistent attempts in this direction. I was as persistent in my determination to prevent this.

My father needed no persuasion to convince him of the grave situation and of the need for immediate action. He was well aware of Moscow's methods. He replied, saying: "... A bishop will be sent upon receipt of official approval from the State Department. If no qualified volunteer will be found immediately, I shall come myself and remain until a bishop will be selected."

Having been assured of Metropolitan Theophilus' support, the Japanese Church submitted a request to GHQ. At this point I was sure that all difficulties were over and only formal action remained.

The request was submitted through my chief with a recommendation that it be approved. Much to my dismay, the chief not only disapproved but criticized me for meddling in "nonmilitary" matters. It was obvious that he did not see the picture. None of my arguments helped. I then decided to discuss the situation with Max Bishop of the Diplomatic Section of GHQ. This young man had given considerable thought to the international situation and was very realistic in evaluating our position in relation to the Soviets. He was quick to appreciate the situation. Finally, and primarily through Max Bishop's efforts, the developments were brought to the attention of the chief of staff, General Paul Mueller, who called me in and asked for a complete report.

Once General Mueller was fully aware of the situation, the matter was brought to the attention of General MacArthur for a decision. General MacArthur immediately dispatched a communication to the State Department, submitting the request of the Japanese

Orthodox Church and urging that favorable reaction from Metropolitan Theophilus be obtained.

Not long thereafter the news that Bishop Benjamin of Pittsburgh had been selected for assignment to Japan was received with great joy by the Japanese Orthodox Church. Bishop Benjamin arrived on January 6, 1947. The entire Orthodox community was in a festive mood and was busily making extensive preparations to greet him when he officiated for the first time on January 7.

Just prior to the bishop's arrival, General Mueller told me that information received in headquarters indicated possible disturbances during the services. It was reported that the pro-Soviet element might even attempt physical violence. General Mueller asked me if I thought I needed any help. I assured the general that I was confident I could control the situation as long as I had his approval to take necessary measures. The general told me to go ahead.

One of my first moves was to ask the chaplains of the First Cavalry Division and other units stationed in and around Tokyo that the Orthodox personnel among our troops be informed of the ceremonies and encouraged to attend.

At noon on January 7 the cathedral bells proclaimed a day of joy for the Japanese Orthodox community. The St. Nicholas Cathedral and its gardens were

teeming with Japanese, Russians, and Americans who had come to participate in the celebration. A large number of U. S. Army men attended. The bishop arrived amid the great rejoicing of the parishioners and was escorted into the cathedral by the dignitaries of the church. He conducted his first service in the splendor and dignity of the Orthodox ritual, supported by a well-trained choir which sang in Japanese some of the beautiful church melodies by Rachmaninoff, Arhangelsky, Bartniansky, and others. The festive occasion passed without incident and thus the Japanese Orthodox Church was re-established, free from control by Moscow.

On January 9 I informed Derevyanko that General MacArthur was very appreciative of his interest in the Japanese Orthodox Church. However, since, at the request of the Japanese, a bishop had already arrived from the United States, there was no apparent need to consider further the Soviet request.

In describing the events to my father, particularly the arrival of the bishop and the first service in the Tokyo Cathedral, and appreciating his fine sense of humor, I concluded my letter by saying: "I do not recall when I have felt more elated than I did on the day Bishop Benjamin arrived, as I entered the portals of the House of God with a prayer in my heart and a blackjack in my pocket." THE END



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POWER TOOLS: Today's rage is the electric handsaw whose predecessors were called "electric jigsaws" or "saber saws." Sales (at \$25 to \$100 and up) are zooming because this new version has great versatility, safety, and quiet strength. Its up-and-down blade action will cut through almost any kind of material, will negotiate sharp corners, and doesn't require the gingerly respect that a circular saw does. Many dealers think the newcomer will rival the quarter-inch power drill in popularity this year. All the big name manufacturers are now in the sales race.

One area in which a lot of high-paying jobs are still beckoning is professional selling. Companies represented by the National Sales Executives say they need upwards of 400,000 salesmen.

Money apparently isn't what's holding back a flood of applicants. In a recent poll of 31 colleges and universities, *The American Salesman* found that students definitely consider salesmen big earners and relish the idea of "being your own boss." But the old bugaboo of traveling and fast-talking seems to linger on.

So a drive will get underway to dispel these notions.

Current items worth bearing in mind:

ROCKETS: Note the hurried warnings by the experts to beware of the homemade Explorers and Sputniks your kids may be building in the basement. It's no trick to concoct the propellants for a baby moon out of such ordinary materials as gasoline, cleaning fluid, or charcoal—at least effectively enough to blow a young space man into kingdom come. Nip him in the bud.

RELIGION: Once again the Census Bureau affirms the general belief that we are a God-fearing nation—96 percent of Americans say they have a religion. The breakdown: 30,700,000 Roman Catholics; 23,500,000 Baptists; 16,700,000 Methodists; 8,400,000 Lutherans; 6,700,000 Presbyterians; 3,900,000 Jews; plus 24,000,000 other Protestants who belong to denominations not separately reported.

SIGNS: Motorists have voted that they favor white lettering (capitals and lowercase) on a green background. So that's how the directional signs on our 41,000-mile interstate network of roads is going to guide you. (The route markers themselves are red, white, and blue.)

HEALTH MYSTERY: Infectious hepatitis (caused by a virus which damages the bile system, allowing bile to get into the blood) suddenly has taken a sharp downtrend. Some 50,000 cases were reported in 1954, but only 15,000 last year. Nobody really knows why. There's no way to immunize against the disease.

—By Edgar A. Grunwald

"LET'S TELL OUR SERVICE STORY"

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fornia, who is our national Rehabilitation Commission chairman, suggests a check-list against which each member can measure the service program of his own post. Here are the tried and true characteristics of post service programs that work well. Each reader can compare it with what his own post does.

1. The post appoints a competent service officer.

2. The post has several assistant service officers, some of whom are specialists in different aspects of veterans benefits.

3. The post has surveyed all local veterans and their families, preferably by systematic personal interviews. All veterans and their families have been personally invited to call on the post for help and advice in matters relating to veterans affairs. The post maintains a permanent card file of their names and addresses, with basic facts about their veteran status.

4. The post has a continuing local publicity program in the field of veterans benefits.

5. Veterans benefits and the post's service program are frequently discussed at post meetings.

6. The post has a permanent service committee, which recommends, initiates and carries out policies that keep the service program at an aggressive peak.

Bob McCurdy's check-list certainly covers the ground. With local variations, it is precisely what every post owes itself and its community.

Let's look at each point more closely.

1. *The service officer.* Certainly every post recognizes the need for a competent man in this position, and the need to give him full support. However, it has been widely observed that many posts begin and end their service program with the appointment of the service officer. But every post that does so limits its work in its most important field to what one man can do. It has no hope of realizing its full potential.

In the absence of a strong program by the entire post to backstop him, many a dedicated volunteer service officer renders his services by hunting for people to serve.

He will check death notices and call upon widows. Each year thousands of veterans' widows get needed benefits they didn't know existed because of such detective work by post service officers working alone.

The same service officer will check hospital admissions and welfare rolls and discover ill or destitute veterans whose trials are eased by Legion help.

He misses many. The field is too big, and he is too few. Further, he has fewer clues for tracking down others who need

Legion help. The veteran (and there are thousands like him) who is about to make the mistake of trying to process his own claim with the Veterans Administration doesn't publish it in the local newspaper where the service officer can read it.

Neither do the veterans who are about to make bad decisions regarding their veterans' insurance, their GI loans, civil service rights, educational entitlements or other rights.

Neither do many others, veterans and widows, who are in need of benefits to which they are entitled, but don't know anything about their entitlement.

They all have to be conditioned to seek out the service officer by a post program that is designed to reach them.

2. *Assistant service officers.* When the post's service is sold to the whole community, assistant service officers may be needed simply to help meet the increased calls that may be made upon the post.

At least one assistant is a necessity to stand in for the regular service officer whenever he is unavailable, or if his services should be lost to the post. The post cannot risk being unprepared to live up to a reputation that it must establish or that reputation will quickly disappear.

Another kind of assistant service officer is also very much needed today. The regular service officer has clear channels for handling veterans claims through your state Legion service staff. But much of the service your post should render veterans is in the form of advice on specialized problems.

With a little study of VA insurance, a post member who is an insurance agent can furnish expert knowledge which the service officer could call upon to help a veteran with an insurance problem. Likewise a banker, with respect to GI loans; a mortician with respect to burial rights of veterans; a doctor with respect to medical rights; a plant manager or personnel man with respect to veterans employment; a teacher with respect to educational rights of veterans and their children, and so on.

3. *A survey of all local veterans.* This is a fundamental essential of the service program of each post.

It is the only way that every single veteran family in the post's community can, with certainty, be reached by the post; the only sure way the post can have a record of the local people whom it is pledged to serve.

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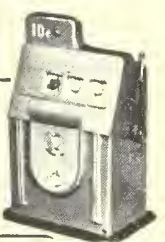
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Surveys of this kind will bring to light innumerable veterans and their families to whom the post can be of immediate benefit. A recent search in one state for needy dependents of veterans who were entitled to help of which they were ignorant resulted in establishment of claims for nearly 3,000 of them.

Needless to say, when a post conducts such a survey, it reflects greatly to the advantage of the post in its local reputation as a worthy and unselfish organization, and in its growth and prosperity.

4. *Local publicity on veterans benefits.* Continuing local publicity by the post in the field of veterans benefits is a public service in itself. In addition it keeps the post's service program and its expertness in its field before the public.

Newspaper stories emanating from your post advising local veterans and their families of important veterans benefits, changes in the laws and regulations, deadlines, etc., are practically a necessity if the worth and meaning of the local American Legion is not to be hidden under a bushel.

Newspaper editors usually want such stories, because they appeal to the interests of a broad section of their reader audiences.

Many newspaper editors now buy veterans news from syndicated news services, but would prefer to get it from a local source if it is accurate and readable.

I am able to report that the national American Legion is at present working out a type of news release on veterans affairs suitable for release by individual posts. One department of The American Legion and a selected group of posts have volunteered to be the guinea pigs to give these releases a tryout. When we work the bugs out of them, we may be able to offer each department regular news stories about veterans affairs for their posts to release locally under their own names.

5. *Discussion of veterans affairs at post meetings and in post bulletins.* This is a must for every post commander to initiate, in view of the mounting evidence that many of our own members don't fully realize what their service program may mean to them.

Unless veterans service is impressed on the minds of our members there seems little hope that we will ever truly reach the public consciousness with our rehabilitation program.

6. *A post service committee in addition to its service officers.* Nearly all of our posts that have developed veterans service as an outstanding community program have used an active standing service committee as the instrument of that success.

Wherever it is understood that there is much more to a post veterans service program than appointing a service officer, the need for such a committee becomes obvious.

It takes manpower, organization and initiative to do the job right. The service committee should be charged by the commander to see that the post has a well-rounded service program, and to

see that it operates at peak performance. These responsibilities, which go far beyond what any service officer is able to do in his limited time, cannot be carried out unless they are made the mission of an aggressive committee.

When, in Resolution 594 of our 1957 convention, our delegates warned against "neglect" of veterans' needs by our posts they were not implying that any post deliberately ignores veterans needs. They were observing that too many posts are failing, without meaning to, to reach the veterans who need Legion counsel and assistance.

When our delegates stated that reaching these veterans is the responsibility of the commander and the full membership of each post they were saying that our job in this field is too big to be left in its entirety to the service officer.

We cannot afford to centralize veterans rehabilitation in our national and state offices. The whole purpose of the program is to give direct help to individuals who need it. The post is the most important cog in the whole machinery, because it is the only part of our structure that can keep in touch with individuals. Our posts are where our veterans live.

Sometimes I think that our posts are much too modest in their own estimate of their importance, especially with respect to national programs. Nearly all of our national programs would be myths, were they not post programs. In rehabilitation this would be especially true.

We have great national wisdom and effectiveness in veterans affairs. But the entire source of this national competence springs from knowledge that is gleaned by post service programs which are in touch with individual veterans and their families.

What the posts learn about the needs and problems of veterans up and down America's Main Streets—because they are in touch with them—is passed up, through county and state delegates and committees, to our national conventions and committees. The creation of the Veterans Administration, the GI Bill of Rights, practically the entire structure of veteran law today, stands on the firm foundation of knowledge about the problems of veterans that was learned at the community level.

Unless we maintain close contact with veterans at the community level we will not only miss more and more opportunities to give the service we have dedicated ourselves to give; but we will also shut ourselves off from the basic knowledge and experience that we need to remain the effective champion of America's disabled and destitute veterans, and the widows and orphans of our fallen comrades.

THE END



"... so I said to him, 'I'll handle the Brewster account on one condition'—
now get this, Emily—'on one condition'..."

back across the Atlantic to America about the time of the Civil War. But it was almost 40 years before they found favor in this country.

A journalist writing from New York in 1854 reported the following discovery in ill-disguised sarcasm:

"Some ladies of this refined and fashion-forming metropolis are aping the silly ways of some pseudo-accomplished foreigners in smoking Tobacco through a weaker and more feminine article which has been most delicately denominated a 'cigarette.'"

The italics were the author's.

By 1869 the total U.S. annual production of the suspect smokes of foreign origin was less than 2,000,000—all handmade. By 1885 when cigarette-making machines came into use, more than 1,000,000,000 or about 20 cigarettes per capita were being smoked in the U.S. each year. Taxes almost killed cigarettes in the 1870's. Even as late as 1900 less than 4 percent of the total tobacco crop went into cigarettes.

The origin of the first cigarette cards is obscure and still a matter of research. The earliest cards appear to go back to 1880. The handmade smokes were packed in flimsy paper packages; so some manufacturers reinforced the wrappers with cardboard. Some long-forgotten genius hit on the idea of printing pictures of actresses on one side of these cardboard inserts. It was a million-dollar inspiration, and probably made the cigarette industry. Competitors were forced to follow suit, and all of them went in heavily for the girly theme.

Some of the more scantily dressed gals on a particularly daring set of these cards caused bluenoser Anthony Comstock, the watchdog of the famous "Watch and Ward Society," to hurry to Washington to get a law passed against such double corruption of innocent youth.

In general, however, most of these old cards were in good taste and highly artistic in design. Indian chiefs, ballplayers, prizefighters, game birds of America, and "Fish from American waters" were among the earliest sets. By 1892 there were several hundred beautiful sets in existence. Some cigarette companies, hoping to win favor for their products, even put out small albums for the sets.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent on research and artwork to make the cards more attractive and authentic. Since these cards carried considerable descriptive matter on their reverse sides, their educational value was not inconsiderable. Teachers, however, seemed to hate the little cards and the

undeniable distracting effect they had on small boys, and they usually confiscated and destroyed them on sight.

Most cigarette card collectors regard the Kinney Tobacco Company's military series which accompanied Sweet Caporals as outstanding in artistic merit, interest, and general appeal. These little gems of Americana, which first appeared in 1888, were color representations of military uniforms from all over the world. There were 694 cards in this set, the largest ever issued. Most other sets were limited to 50 or 100 cards.

Some 250 of this classic series showed American military uniforms from the Revolutionary War to militia outfits of



1886. Some of the latter were every bit as gaudy as anything seen in more military-minded Europe of that day. This set was so carefully researched and meticulously accurate that it is still used as the final authority in re-creating old uniforms for books, movies, the stage, etc.

There are no known complete sets, but several collections lack only a dozen or so cards of being complete. The rarer cards of this set bring from \$5 to \$10 or even more from collectors.

The rarest of the old cigarette cards, one of which might bring you as much as \$50 or \$75, depicts the famous Pittsburgh Pirates shortstop Honus Wagner. This was used in a Sweet Caporal set, and was the cause of some controversy. Honus was violently opposed to smoking in any form; he considered it harmful for athletes. He refused all offers to use his picture on cigarette cards. Somehow Sweet Caporals inadvertently included him anyway. Wagner promptly threatened legal action, and the cards were hastily withdrawn. A few got out, but only four known copies have survived to this day.

By 1910 the cigarette cards were almost infinite in variety. They ranged from Arctic explorers and animals from *Aesop's Fables* to Shakespearean characters and yachting colors. The most popular, however, were the prizefighters and baseball stars of that day. Close rivals were the "Indian Life in the 60's"

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and several cowboy sets. It has been claimed that one of these cowboy series packed with Hassans inspired some of the colorful costumes used in the Broadway hit *Oklahoma!*

In 1912 another radical innovation was tried out in cigarette marketing. Instead of cards, the packages contained small silk flags, flannel rugs, and leather cards. These "silkie," as they were called, carried pictures of foreign rulers, famous actresses, American Indian chiefs, flags of all countries, etc. They were designed to be made into cushion covers, fancy sofa spreads, and other forms of feminine handcraft. The cigarette companies were baiting their sales hooks for the ladies as a vast potential new market.

By 1917 when America entered World War I, millions of Americans were smoking cigarettes; so cigarette companies dropped the cards and silkies as no longer needed to promote sales. Between 1886 and 1916 the smoking habits of a nation had been changed, largely because of the now long-forgotten cigarette card. Men had switched from pipes and cigars to cigarettes, and the ladies had joined the menfolk as smokers.

Although billions of these little cards were distributed during the 30 years of their heyday, surprisingly few of them survive today even in museums or libraries. A very fine collection once owned by Mr. B. K. Edwards, of California, was donated to the Library of

Congress by Carl Sandburg. The largest and finest collection ever assembled — more than 42,000 cards — is the life's work of Mr. Jefferson Burdick, of Syracuse, N. Y. Mr. Burdick donated this set, worth many thousands of dollars, to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in 1947. It may be seen in the Print Room upon request. Mr. Burdick has also compiled the only known catalog of this little-known hobby.

It is estimated that there are less than 500 cigarette card collectors in the United States (compared with possibly 1,000,000 or more stamp collectors). England has at least 50,000 cigarette card collectors and even boasts of a very snooty Cartophilic Society which numbers among its select membership many socially prominent people and a few of the nobility.

Not even the experts in this country can explain why the cigarette card hobby died out so suddenly and completely in the land of its birth. There are no big dealers in this hobby and no sizable stocks of cards for sale anywhere. A Mr. Charles Bray, of East Bangor, Pa., has conducted auction sales by mail of cards he has been receiving from other collectors since 1942. British buyers quite often bid far higher prices for these rare old cards than Americans; consequently many of them have gone to England thereby depleting the small floating supply still further.

Some of the commoner sets of 1910-

12 can still be bought at Bray auction sales for as little as \$4 or \$5 for a complete set of 50. Nineteenth century and rare cards fetch higher prices.

Not even experts like Bray or Burdick know how many sets were issued in the 19th century because most of the older cigarette companies left no records. The records of the American Tobacco Company were, unfortunately, lost in a fire. Gone with the years, too, are the names of the artists who designed these wonderful bits of Americana.

I am afraid that unsentimental housewives eternally throwing out "old junk" were probably responsible for the destruction of most of these old cards. Then too as boys grew into men and moved into homes of their own they were probably too ashamed to bring with them the little treasures of their boyhood days.

To boys of today, spoiled by color TV, radios in every room, hi-fi phonographs, and wide-angle movies, and comics by the hundredweight, the cigarette cards of 1910 would probably appear to be pretty insipid and "corny." But to an older generation of a more innocent and unsophisticated age these colorful little pasteboards represented high adventure and pure golden treasure. And they definitely were a part of the America of another day just as much as the cigarstore Indian, cigarband ashtrays, and dime novels.

THE END

BRIEFLY

ABOUT BOOKS

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POWER FOR WAR AND PEACE

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"electrical living," and industry more and more mechanizes and automates operations. This calls for voracious use of power. An electricity growth curve looks like an airplane swinging up into a steep loop. It is double that of the general economy, is even greater than those of many so-called growth industries.

A look at home use of electricity shows how utility expansion is induced. The average residence takes about 3,000 kilowatt-hours annually for lighting, television and radio, cooking, cleaning, ironing, water heating and pumping, and home heating and cooling. This load is *five times* that of 25 years ago, is even double that of just 10 years ago. The Edison Electric Institute estimates it will double again by 1965.

These figures, it should be noted, deal only with averages. A single all-electric home devours 20,000 kilowatt-hours a year! Pronounced spread of electric home heating and air conditioning will make consumption of current skyrocket. A list of the typical annual electricity demands of various household appliances tells why.

In one year an electric clock will use about 17 kilowatt-hours; an automatic washing machine, 48; a radio, 97; a TV set, 297; a refrigerator, 353. On the other hand, a window air-conditioning unit will eat up 1,000 kilowatt-hours; an electric range, 1,200; a water heater, 3,500; and a heat pump, a whopping 15,600. (Kilowatts, incidentally, are a measure of electric generating capacity; kilowatt-hours, a measure of amounts of electricity generated or used.)

Nearly 50 million American homes now take one-fourth of total electricity sales—against one-half by industry. But the former make up the fastest growing demand segment. A Federal Power Commission study states that "with rising population and a resultant growth in the number of homes, together with increasing use per customer, the residential classification is expected to become still more significant, and may at some time in the distant future even overtake the industrial class."

Forecasting future electricity demands is an essential part of the utility business. Plans for new generation and distribution facilities must be hardened three years or more in advance of completion if customer needs are to be met. Government agencies, the utilities themselves, and electric equipment manufacturers thus go in for a good deal of crystal-ball gazing. Population trends, availability of natural resources and fuels, production, employment, and purchasing power all enter the equations.

As might be expected, the prognosticators seldom agree on what kind of ex-

pansion they see ahead. Yet all heartily concur that demand will go on booming. And it is significant that most long-term projections of the past have proven themselves on the low side as the years unfold.

Few, for instance, could have foreseen a near-doubling of power use over roughly each decade this century. Few in the late 1940's, moreover, could have foreseen the outsized boost Korea was to give economic (and electric) expansion in the 1950's.

Forward planning is also made difficult by the need to allow for yet-to-be-



"Now, now, dear, let's not butt into their family affairs."

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built equipment, which Donald S. Kennedy, president of both the Edison Electric Institute and the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, calls "phantom" appliances. Equipment makers are coming out with about three new appliances each two years. Consumption of electricity can thus be thrown into wholly different growth trends by demand for gadgets as yet unborn.

Another big category of customers for the utilities are the six million commercial businesses, which take about one-sixth of electricity sales. Demand here, too, is moving upward all the time as improved lighting, office machinery, temperature control systems, and other equipment gets more and wider use. Annual load per commercial customer is about five times that for a residence, and the Federal Power Commission believes this will double over the next 20 years.

Industrial use of electricity is in many ways the most interesting segment of all. According to the Edison Electric Institute, no single worker can produce in a day by sheer muscle power the energy represented by even one kilowatt-hour

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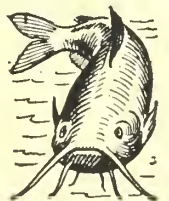


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Industry is building up a big head of steam behind the drive to use still more electricity in production operations. Rising labor costs provide the spur. Machinery and automated processes and plenty of kilowatts make it possible for fewer men to turn out more products.

Far from posing threats of throwing men out of work, however, such a method of raising worker productivity is considered essential to long-run boosts in living standards. We already have a relative shortage of productive workers in the population. From the mid-1960's on, population will grow at both ends of the age scale but will shrink in the middle. The shortening work week will compound the problem, making it all the more urgent to raise output per man-hour.

A striking fact that stands out in any power survey is that less than 1 percent of all utility customers — the industrial group — takes more than half the total electricity output. An even sharper look discloses that some 10 percent of plant customers, in turn, account for nearly 90 percent of all industrial consumption.

The Federal Power Commission found out during the Second World War that most factories take fairly light loads — less than 100 kilowatts. Only the big ones required loads topping 20,000 kw. The biggest steel mill, for example, may need 200,000 kw.; the biggest aluminum refining plant, 400,000 kw.; and the biggest uranium diffusion (atomic) works, 2,000,000 kw.

Atomic plants like those at Oak Ridge, Tenn., now chew up a *tenth* of electricity production. Vast extra charges are also needed to refine and manufacture the high-quality materials used in these facilities. It has been argued, perhaps correctly, that far more electricity goes into making refined uranium than can ever be gotten out of this exotic fuel in atomic powerplants. Military officials in particular contend, however, that such a cost is worthwhile to obtain a highly concentrated and transportable form of energy—not to mention atomic bombs.

"As important as electric power is to industry, however, it represents for the most part a small portion of the total cost of production," a Federal Power Commission study reveals. The Commission notes that the cost of electricity to industry in one recent year covered by the study represented only 2 percent of the total cost of the value added by

manufacture. Nevertheless, since industry uses large amounts of energy, power costs can be a large factor. They are therefore analyzed closely by management in selecting plant locations.

The truly amazing thing about electricity is that, despite modest rate increases over the years, the average revenue utilities get from their sales has declined steadily while prices of almost everything else have gone up and up and up. Edison Electric Institute President Kennedy observes that the cost of living has risen 2½ times over the past 40 years, whereas average residential revenue per kilowatt-hour has dropped to one-third the 1916 level. This happy result stems from both marked efficien-

cies made in utility operations and "promotion" rates which cost customers less per unit as volume of use increases.

The average monthly home bill for this wonderworking servant runs to just \$6.50. And it would be even less but for those ever-present taxes. The privately owned systems have to give over to government nearly one dollar out of each four they take in. Public power groups, which produce a little more than one-fifth of our electricity, pay little or nothing in taxes. They are thereby able to charge lower rates for their particular customers.

"The government has found no new way to make electricity. It simply sells its power at less than true cost," observes Edwin Vennard, vice president of Edison Electric Institute.

The issue of whether public or private organizations should provide basic power supply is one of the hottest in national affairs. This continues to be so regardless of how well the private utilities service their 80 percent of U. S. customers, or how much they protest that government agencies closely regulate their rates and operations anyway.

Public power has carved a special niche in hydroelectric development, and about half of government-produced electricity comes from falling water. Yet there is a limit to U. S. hydroelectric resources. Federal Power Commission Vice Chairman Stueck points out we have now developed 26 million kilowatts of hydroelectric generating capacity — which is roughly one-fifth of all present capacity. Facilities for another 20 million kilowatts are under construction or authorized, and a final 67 million are technically feasible of development. But these latter would be much more costly.

Since we are developing our best water sites first, Mr. Stueck warns, "future development of hydroelectric power will be progressively more difficult."

If the nation cannot hope to get the electricity it needs in the future from water resources, where will it come from?

This question is of the utmost importance because of indications of almost unbelievable needs for power in the years ahead. Federal officials do not believe power demands will go on doubling indefinitely every decade, as they have been. Still, *Electrical World*, the industry publication, foresees electricity output of 1.7 trillion kilowatt-hours in 1970. This would be three times that of 1955 and double that expected in 1960.

The Federal Power Commission itself recently prepared an estimate of power needs in the year 2,000, and set requirements then at one billion kilowatts of generating capacity. In effect, for every generating unit or central station on the landscape today, we would have to have seven by the turn of the century.

Chaplain's Corner

By Rev. ROBERT J. SHERRY
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Department Chaplain of Ohio

O Almighty and Eternal God, our heavenly Father, teach us to realize that the true idea of American democracy is found in the proposition that all men are created equal.

Show us clearly, we pray Thee, that the soundest answer to totalitarian tyranny is a living faith in an Almighty Creator, Who has endowed all human beings with rights that no human authority can destroy.

Give us the grace, O Lord, to see that the only true and secure basis of our precious liberties—freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion—lies not in the will of any majority, nor in the whim of any dictator, but in the universal, practical acceptance of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

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Help us to walk always in the ways of Thy commandments and in loyal, patriotic service to our country. Amen.

The fuel for these mammoth plants will be furnished primarily by coal and the atom. Right now, natural gas provides the energy for some 17 percent of electricity production; and oil, nearly 7 percent. Experts predict these two fuels will ultimately dwindle in supply and will have to be set aside for premium uses. Coal will then account for virtually all electricity obtained from conventional fuels.

Encouragingly, the Interior Department estimates U. S. bituminous coal reserves at 1.9 trillion tons. One-eighth of this, or enough for 500 years' consumption at present rates, is recoverable at or near present extraction costs. Another 500 years' supply is obtainable at 1½ times present costs.

Nonetheless, if we do not want a disproportionate number of people "to spend their lives digging coal," as Mr. Stueck puts it, we must look to other energy sources. It is probable that the power of the sun, wind, and tides will be harnessed in large amounts one day. And atomic energy will assuredly meet a large part of future requirements, perhaps as much as half the total by the year 2,000.

A vast range of atomic research and development projects is well underway, and the first full-scale atomic power-plant for civilian use is now in being at Shippingport, Pa. (See "1957—Year of the Atom" in the April 1957 issue of *The American Legion Magazine*.) These projects all point toward eventual widespread utilization of the atom for power generation.

Among the experts, there is no doubt that this will happen. It *must*. And both government and private industry intend to see that it does.

Putting together the money needed to

install the enormous new capacity coming up will place the utilities under severe strain. So far, they have been able to meet America's needs with a healthy reserve capacity to spare. The reason why funds seem to come in when needed is that investors have an enviable faith in utility stocks and bonds.

Investment is now around 5 billion dollars a year. In 1958, as a result, utilities will make the biggest capacity addition in history as 16 million new kilowatts of generating equipment come onto line.

Such a record can only demolish any fears that America is losing out to Russia in a kilowatt race. The fact is that the U. S., with 6 percent of the world's people, generates 41 percent of the world's electricity. The nation has more power capacity than the next seven countries combined.

The U. S. total is also four times that of second-place Russia. In the past five years our private utilities alone have installed as much new capacity as is in service in all of Russia. President Kennedy of the Edison Electric Institute predicts that the utilities will duplicate this feat in the coming five years.

That we are scarcely aware of the contribution of electricity to daily work and homelife is probably the finest testament of all to the kind of job the utilities are doing behind the scenes. Only when lines are cut and power fails in a storm or other emergency, are we jarred awake to the real value of this primary force.

Otherwise, we nonchalantly go on flipping switches—and lights flicker and motors magically whirl. The power industry is confident that we can continue to do just that for as far ahead as anyone can see.

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ROD AND GUN CLUB



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with a wallet-sized pocket fishing calendar. Besides a colorful job of illustrating and describing the firm's tackle for all these different types of fishing, the booklets give authoritative information on what type of tackle might best be used under different angling circumstances. Experts such as world champion caster Ben Hardesty, and "Gadabout" Gaddis, renowned fly fisherman, have helped author them. Any angler-reader of this column can obtain copies of the booklets and the Joe Godfrey pocket fishing calendar by writing the Shakespeare Company at Kalamazoo, Mich.

ROBERT E. SHARP, Sumner, Mo., is an astute chap who has his mind on water and boats during these spring days. "On outboard motors using shear pins which do not have a place provided to carry spares," he says, "remove the rubber grip from the steering handle and store the extra shear pin inside. Wrap the pin in paper or cloth before putting inside. Replace the handle and you're set."

HARRY WILLS, 515 W. Cook St., Bedford, Va., is a fast man with a dollar. "For fishermen who catch that big one and want its exact length, I suggest that they use a dollar bill as a measurer. It's exactly 6 1/8 inches long."



MARCUS C. KRUGER, R.D. 3, Amsterdam, N. Y., has come up with a good one: "Fishermen I know have been using the naval survival vests (obtainable at army and navy stores) since they first appeared on the surplus markets. They are the handiest vests ever conceived, and it almost seems that the Navy had fishermen in mind when it created them. Cost as low as \$2.50."

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ANYBODY CONTEMPLATING fishing in south Florida ought to secure a copy of Russ Smiley's fishing map of Miami and the Florida Keys. It's also useful for boating enthusiasts because it shows reefs, flats, lighthouses, channels, buoys, and water depths. The map illustrates 43 of south Florida's most popular game fish, where they are found, and how to rig for them.

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—Jack Denton Scott

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Products Parade

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You can now have a deluxe entertainment center with a new music system being made by the Thomas Organ Co., Sepulveda, Calif. This unit is an organ with

a self-contained high-fidelity phonograph system. Called the Thomas Musicale Organ, it sells for \$795, which is only \$100 more than the company's Model G organ. Using it, a person can play along with his favorite records or a novice can learn to play using lesson-plan long-play records.

There is no need to have electric cords trailing around while you shave, thanks to a handy gadget called the Shaver Cord Reel being offered by L/T Sales, 5818 Sherbourne Drive, Los Angeles 56. It holds five feet of cord in an attractive plastic case which is plugged into an electric outlet. You withdraw as much cord as you need, and it automatically retracts into the case which can be left in the outlet. The price is \$2.49.

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Mention of products in no way constitutes an endorsement of them, since in most cases they are described as represented by manufacturers.

SOMETHING NEW IN SOUND

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recorders are available at reasonable prices, it must be mentioned that only a few late models are capable of playing stereo tapes. Moreover, none of the popularly priced machines are capable of recording stereophonically. You can record and play back monaurally, but you must purchase your stereo tapes pre-recorded. Also, it is necessary to bear in mind that the second channel requires its own amplifier and separate speaker. These items usually add more than a modest amount to the cost of the equipment. Pre-recorded tapes have been made with equipment that experts refer to as "stacked head" and "staggered head." These terms refer to the relative position of the identical section of music on the respective tracks. Current practice is to use "stacked head" systems; so if you contemplate purchasing, insist on this type.

Getting back to the phonograph records, you may wonder how the technicians ever managed to provide for both left and right ears. It wasn't easy to lick this problem, and experts have worked on it for years. The American Bell Laboratories and the Western Elec-

tric Company were among the first to demonstrate the possibilities about a quarter of a century ago, and the "art" was advanced a few years ago when Cook and Livingston made available twin-track records and playing equipment. A disadvantage of the system was that only about half the normal playing time in music could be recorded because two tracks were necessary, and nothing much came of it.

What, then, is so new about the newest record? First of all, there are really two new records, one English and one American. Both, however, are similar in that they provide the necessary "information" for the two tracks within a single groove. They are designed to be played with special pickup cartridges having only a single stylus. This may sound simple, but actually it is highly complex. The single stylus pickup must transmit to the left hand speaker only what is intended for the left and vice versa for the right. There must be two distinct and separate signals, one for each channel — all contained in a narrow record groove.

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the late fall by London Records, uses the bottom of the groove, hill and dale fashion, for one track, and the sides, laterally as in conventional records, for the other track.

The American system, demonstrated at the same time by Westrex, a subsidiary of Western Electric, uses a 90° V-shaped groove with the two signals impressed on both sides. Although this is a far more complicated system to understand, it has certain advantages. And by the time you read this, it will probably have been adopted as the industry standard. One company, Audio Fidelity Records, a maker who specializes in ultrafine records, has already issued the first commercial stereo record using the Westrex system. London Records has signified that it is perfectly willing to abide by the decision of the rest of the industry.

What are the other special characteristics of these new records and how will they affect you? You have no doubt heard of the word "compatibility" as applied to color and black and white television. You may remember that the first color TV programs could not be comfortably viewed on black and white sets, and the majority of the electronics industry held out for a "compatible" system. They insisted that the pictures should be capable of being viewed either in color or black and white.

The same principle has been applied to the new discs. They come in the same size, they turn at the same speed, and they can be played monaurally with present-day equipment. In other words, you can play them just as you play your present discs. Of course, to get the full benefit you will have to have at least a new pickup cartridge, and an extra amplifier and speaker. The words "at least" are inserted because it is fairly certain that a lot of the poorer equipment in existence today will be inadequate. Your present records? No need to throw them away, because they'll play just as well with the new pickup as they do now.

Is all of the needed equipment presently available? At the moment you can order a special pickup from the Fairchild Recording Equipment Co. only if you are a member of the industry. Pickering & Co., Inc., has already demonstrated its model and has signified that it will be on the market as soon as the record industry officially chooses the system which is to be the standard. Both of these makers manufacture only the highest quality equipment, and it is estimated that the new pickups will cost about the same as their current best monaural types, about \$60.

Undoubtedly, other makers, notably General Electric, will supply pickup cartridges soon, and at more popular prices. The other items needed, such as

pickup arms, turntables, amplifiers, and speakers, are the same as those in use now. Some manufacturers, in an effort to integrate equipment, have already offered such items as two-channel amplifiers and twin speakers mounted in one enclosure. One manufacturer has even offered a stereophonic wing chair with a loudspeaker in each of the wings!

Interest in stereo has not been wholly confined to tape or records. For some years Radio Station WQXR in New York has been offering stereo broadcasts, using its FM and AM transmitters to carry the required twin signals. The station reports a gratifying response on the part of the New York public, with listeners using separate FM and AM radios to get the effect.

It is estimated that \$400,000,000 was spent on records in 1957, a figure about 30 percent greater than that of the preceding year. Will the new product have any adverse effect on record sales? Almost certainly not, thanks to the feature of compatibility. And in all likelihood present-day records will continue to be made for some time. However, we'll venture to predict that you'll be mighty glad Mother Nature had the happy inspiration to provide you with two good ears when you hear your first stereo record in your own home, and we further predict that the day will come sooner than you think. THE END

FIRST SERGEANT DUTCH USMC

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we watched the American flag come down and the Japanese flag go up in its place.

Many books have been written about life in prisoner of war stockades. The ones I have read were true accounts, but still most people refuse to believe that human beings are capable of such inhumanity. Our captors were brutal and harsh, our food was worse than the swill we feed to hogs, and we were worked like slaves in the Middle Ages. Many prisoners suffered from the winter cold, especially those captured on Wake Island with only tropical clothing. The Japanese, overlooking not a single cunning trick, allowed the North China marines to keep their winter clothing, hoping to create jealousy and dissension between the two groups. They overlooked the fact that the brotherhood of marines is unbelievably close, thus their scheme only resulted in a general sharing of the wealth.

When men are confronted suddenly with the stark fact that there are four basic needs of mankind—food, heat, shelter, and clothing—and realize they are only partially receiving those basic requirements, they are prone to shed the thin veneer of civilization with which mankind is coated. Older heads had to

set an example for the younger element. We organized ourselves into small groups, and set up our own disciplinary committees for dealing with the weak. Even so, a few of them simply gave up and died. Others became so discouraged they simply walked out during dark, stormy nights and grabbed the high-voltage barbed wire surrounding our stockade. Not one man, though, was guilty of defection to the enemy. We hated them with all our hearts.

Dutch hated the Japanese with a passion unequalled by any of us. Through it all, as the days crawled by like paralytic turtles, he was ever good for our morale. We feared for his life, for there was probably never in history a more recalcitrant prisoner of war. He roared insults at our captors, refused contemptuously to obey any of their orders, and actually had the Japanese afraid of him. Perhaps the fact that Orientals have a deep-seated superstitious fear of the mentally unbalanced person was a factor. We would, when Dutch was looking the other way, make signs to the Japanese that he was touched in the head—crazy. At any rate, he was avoided by the Nipponese.

Dutch did not think there was anything unusual about this deferential treat-

ment. He accepted it as his due, and would stalk about inside the barbed wire enclosure, his head high and shoulders back, for all the world as if he were the commandant of the camp. When he caught a Japanese sentry in some act contrary to usual sentry regulations, such as sneaking a smoke while on post, Dutch would let out a roar and stalk toward the sentry as if he were going to go right through the fence after him. The startled sentry would invariably leap to attention as if a hornet had stung him, and start goosestepping ludicrously away.

One Japanese all of us feared that our doughty first sergeant would cross was Ishihara, the "Beast of the East," as we called him. (He is doing life at hard labor as a result of a war crimes sentence.) It happened one day. Ishihara strutted past Dutch, and did not receive a salute. He was the camp interpreter, but spoke very poor English. "Why you no give me the salutation?" he screamed. Dutch made the interpreter dance out of range of an expertly directed stream of tobacco juice. The Jap went insane at that. He yanked his sword from its scabbard, and flung it back threateningly. That act triggered Dutch off, and he never made a better performance as he

advanced on the interpreter like an avenging tank. His gravelly, parade-ground voice bellowed like an enraged water buffalo as he threatened to make a neektie out of the sword, then make the Jap eat the sword, scabbard and all. Ishihara backed water, and finally turned tail and strode away, desperately trying to retain a semblance of face, as Dutch stood, hands on his hips, and continued his insulting tirade.

Forty-five months after we were captured, Dutch was among the survivors. Much of his old fire had burned out; he was an old man. He had lost more than a hundred pounds, and his skin hung in old hound-dog folds about his jowls. But the blue eyes could still flash fire, and his tremendous voice had lost none of its volume. He was well past the retirement mark, and most of his contemporaries were either dead or retired. A new breed had taken over, and new, unheard of methods of training were being used. The hard-bitten old professional campaigners were replaced with smart, competent young men, skilled in the use of electric accounting machines and efficient administrative procedures. Men had become numbers, and when the first sergeant wanted a plumber or a carpenter, he consulted his electric machine and out came a card on a man. A private's pay was now equal to the pay Dutch had received as a staff non-commissioned officer, and many young privates owned automobiles and wore zoot suits on liberty.

Dutch could not change things back, and it worried him. Finally he retired. The whole post turned out for his retirement parade. Many of us had huge lumps in our throats and tears in our eyes as the command rolled out over the parade ground from a portable amplifier (I'd hesitate to try to say what Dutch thought of this piece of new equipment). "Person to be retired, front and center, march!"

A large brewery company needed a guard captain, an experienced, mature man, preferably a retired marine. Dutch got the job. It was said that the brewery guard detachment had become lax, gone to pot, and needed a good vigorous man to square it away.

I don't know what those brewery guards did when they heard that Dutch was taking over, but I know what I would have done. First, my uniform would have been cleaned and pressed; next, my shoes would have glittered with polish. My hair would have been freshly and closely cut, and there would not have been a spot of dust on my pistol. Either that, or I would have reported to the brewery personnel office and resigned unless I had been determined to guard that brewery as if my life depended upon it.

THE END

"Sound Off!"

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Forces Treaty, was assured to our Armed Forces, under the doctrine that "The Constitution follows the flag." The shocking sentence of four years' labor imposed on this airman by a Japanese court, on charges of assaulting a Japanese cab driver during a dispute over a 62-cent fare, showed no consideration of the fact that it was his first offense and that he and a fellow airman involved made substantial compensation of 20,000 yen to the cab driver whose injuries admittedly were minor.

Beatrice J. Brown
Brattleboro, Vt.

YOUTH PROGRAM

Sir: American Legion members are known for their ability to face up to a situation—regardless of how tough its nature. I strongly urge American Legion Posts across this great Country to evaluate their programs and prepare to meet today's challenging situations. Juvenile delinquency or parental irresponsibility is rampant. We as veterans and citizens instilled with civic responsibility can do a great deal to counteract this grave problem by effective leadership and positive action. At our next American Legion meeting let's appoint an active committee to seek the names of those young people in our communities who have already established themselves as "problems." Let's assign one member of our Post to each boy. We can schedule a father and son type of program or night out to a sports event. Our fellowship can be just the prescription for wayward youth. We have so much to gain for so little effort. Let's act!

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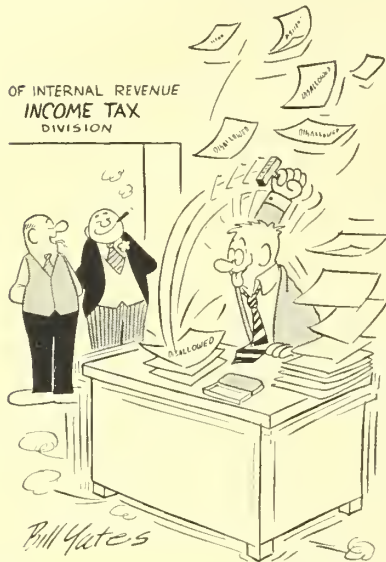
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— DONALD EASTMAN

Lesser of Two Evils

The lonely inebriate staggered slowly down the avenue with a pint of wine safely hidden away in his pants pocket. On the way across the busy street, he stumbled into a passing car and was grazed slightly. He was thrown back against the curbing, but he soon recovered. Managing to rise to his wobbly height, he started on his way again.

A bystander was the first to notice something was amiss. He tapped the drunk

on the shoulder and said, "Pardon me, but there's something trickling down your leg to the ground."

"Gad," muttered the drunk, "I hope it's blood."

— HOWIE LASSETER

Off Again, Gone Again, On Again

*Life's gone slightly flat on
The Isle of Manhattan
And Brooklynites' faces are wan,
And there is good reason
— Though baseball's in season
The Giants and Dodgers are gone!
On Ebbet's Field — quiet
Where once was the riot
Of frantic fans backing Dem Bums;
While no Giant booster
Can howl as he useter
But sits home and twiddles his thumbs.*

*Gone, gone are the Dodgers and Giants,
once lodgers
In Gotham — so let's drop a tear.
— Then whoop as L.A. and gay Frisco fans
say
"The Dodgers and Giants are HERE!"*

— HOWARD WINLEY

We Move It Around

With the approach of interplanetary travel it behooves us to get ready with an explanation for the man from Mars on how we maintain our economy by digging gold out of the ground, smelting it into bars and then burying it in the ground again at Fort Knox.

— HAROLD COFFIN

Not Well Informed

The famous psychiatrist had just completed a lecture at the town hall when he was approached by none other than the Mayor himself.

"Tell me, professor," said His Honor, "how can you tell when a person is insane?"

"One begins," replied the professor, "by asking any question well within the scope of any normal person. For instance—Captain Cook made three trips around the world and met death on one of them. On which of these trips did he die?"

"Couldn't you ask me some other question?" responded the Mayor. "I'm not very well up on explorations."

— F. G. KERNAN

Quick To Learn

Children are very smart these days: At six they know all the questions; at sixteen they know all the answers.

— VESTA M. KELLY

Gone Yesterday, Hair Today!

*The toupee wearer, it is plain,
Is living under an assumed mane!*

— S. S. BIDDLE

Too Far To Stretch

The older one gets, the harder it is to make ends meet . . . fingers and toes especially.

— GEORGE HART

Papa's Payola

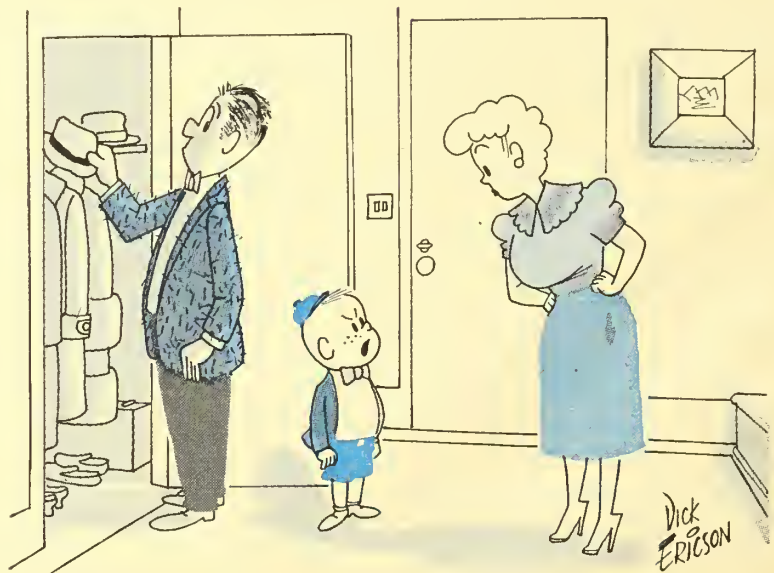
*Father, shed those wedding blues
A lucky man you are,
You haven't lost a daughter
You've gained a bathroom and a car.*

— FRANCES I. CRAIG

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CHILDREN: *Unreasonable facsimiles.*

— JACK HERBERT



"Some zoo! Nothing but horses, running like crazy."



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